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# Baker flounders in Middle East

**JERUSALEM (JTA) —**

Secretary of State James Baker left Israel last week without accomplishing his peace mission but promising to try again.

"There is a chance to produce a process which can result in direct negotiations between Israel and Arab states, and between Israel and Palestinians," Baker told a news conference at Ben-Gurion Airport before boarding a plane for Washington.

"There are, of course, remaining issues that have to be resolved, and there is additional work that has to be done," he said.

The implication was that he would return to the region, though he made no such commitment.

Baker said he would report to U.S. President George Bush on the results of what was his fourth try at shuttle diplomacy since mid-March.

He began shuttling between Israel and Arab capitals in the immediate aftermath of the Persian Gulf War, when Arab states that had collaborated with the United States in defeating Iraq seemed ready for the first time to negotiate directly with Israel.

Baker's efforts to set up a peace conference under U.S.-Soviet auspices foundered over apparently irreconcilable differences between Syria and Israel on the nature and duration of the peace conference.

Syria insists on a active role for the United Nations, which Israel absolutely rejects. Israel says the conference must be a one-time ceremonial opener that would adjourn once direct talks began on the substantive issues.

Syria wants an ongoing conference, to which the parties could appeal in case of impasse.

## Little progress

Baker was unable to soften Syrian President Hafez Assad's position in six hours of talks in Damascus, nor did he make much progress with the Israelis in two days of meetings here.

But the United States and Israel were reported to have reached understandings on several points not necessarily acceptable to the Arab parties.

According to the report, they agreed that the peace conference, in whatever form, would not have arbitration powers or the authority to enforce solutions or veto results.

Baker remarked at his news conference that this understanding of the conference role is shared by all countries where it was discussed.

Israel and the United States also were said to share the view that a joint Jordanian-Palestinian negotiating delegation is preferable to a separate Palestinian delegation.

The delicate issue of Palestinian representation from East Jerusalem, totally opposed by Israel, was avoided in Baker's talks here.

According to the new points of agreement, Palestinians attending the conference would be from "the territories," which were not specified.

Baker spoke at his news conference of having a "better understanding" of the exact nature of the process.

He said he was not disappointed by his failure to get a peace conference started, because "for the first time ever, we have Arab governments expressing readiness to sit in direct discussions, face to face with Israel."

He was referring to the Gulf Co-operation Council, an organization of six major oil-producing states, which expressed a willingness to participate in a peace conference as an observer.

Israel dismissed the offer, claiming that every country technically at war with it must participate fully in peace talks.

Foreign Minister David Levy who saw Baker off at the airport, refused to comment on Israel's position and put the onus on Syria.

**A SIMCHA**

**Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir holds his godson during a ritual circumcision ceremony. The child is the son of Shamir's driver. [RNS Photo/Reuters]**

# *Ontario labor bill could hurt charities*

By PAUL LUNGEN

**TORONTO —**

The government of Ontario's new wage protection bill could have a drastic effect on charitable organizations as well as on business enterprises, a labor law specialist asserted last week.

Bill 70, which is still awaiting second reading, makes directors and officers of both profit-seeking corporations and charitable organizations responsible for employees' unpaid wages and severance benefits.

The effect of the bill could be to push volunteer directors off the boards of non-profit charitable corporations, financially ruin business executives and owners, and create disincentives for new businesses to locate in Ontario, lawyer Gary Luftspring said.

It will likely also force some non-profit groups which must remain in business to use valuable charitable funds to obtain expensive insurance policies to protect their executives, said Charles Diamond, president of Toronto Jewish Congress.

"We're very concerned about the legislation," said Steve Ain, TJC's executive director.

"Our position is that we are writing [Labor Minister Bob Mackenzie] on behalf of our constituent agencies and schools to express our concern, particularly with regard to the officers' and directors' liability and the equation of non-profit and charitable organizations with for-profit enterprises," Ain said.

Under Bill 70, a government fund is to be set up to compensate employees for wages, vacation pay, termination pay and severance pay if a business is unable to make good any moneys owing.

The fund provides an immediate $5,000 to each employee who comes under the terms of the act, and then allows the program administrator to pursue

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## Moda'i seeks changes in absorption process

**JERUSALEM (JTA) —**

**Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i has raised eyebrows here by calling for a drastic change in the way Soviet immigrants are absorbed into Israeli society.**

**"The age of direct absorption is over," the senior cabinet minister said. Since the "reservoir" of apartments and jobs that was available around the country when mass aliya began early last year has been exhausted, the government must intervene in the placement of olim, he said.**

**While it was not immediately clear what changes he has in mind, Moda'i apparently intends the government to exercise much tighter control over where the immigrants live, taking into account the availability both of housing and jobs in any given part of the country.**

**That would mark a move back toward the immigrant absorption system scrapped a few years ago, in which immigrants were sent to absorption centres for their first year, while they learned Hebrew and looked for jobs.**

**When the Soviet immigrants started coming en masse, Israel switched to a "direct absorption" system, in which immigrants are pretty much left on their own to find housing and jobs wherever they chose. After processing at the airport, they are handed a cash subsidy for their first year in the country.**

**Informed sources said Moda'i first spoke about changing the system two weeks ago without eliciting a public reaction.**

**LEARNING TO SWIM**

**A young bather looks nervous as her mother encourages her to take her first swim. Lifeguards in Tel Aviv have recently returned to the beaches, officially opening a new season of water fun. [IPPA photo]**

# Canada

## Rabbi Gedalia Feder makes rare public appearance

# *Yeshivot hesder fetes community leader Yitz Feldman*

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

It was most appropriate: a dinner to honor Yitz Feldman, a man active and respected in both the Orthodox and secular communities, as well as yeshivot hesder. The yeshivot hesder are those institutions whose students combine Torah study with service in Israel's armed forces.

This dichotomy is not so great when one considers both the hesder yeshivot and Feldman believe in the moving line from a film about the yeshivot shown during the evening "I fulfil my national obligation by studying Torah; I fulfil my religious obligation by serving in the army."

Over 350 people attended the dinner, which was held at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation in North York.

Dinner chairman Les Scheininger, national president of Canadian Jewish Congress, described Feldman as a man whose good reputation had preceded him, "a man who had grown through adversity and pain (Feldman contracted polio as a child) to be a dedicated community leader."

Feldman, said Scheininger, is a wonderful "husband, father, grandfather, friend and righteous Jew."

Whether the problems were serious or petty, "we always knew we could rely on the integrity, honesty, and co-operation of this man."

Feldman was praised by Scheininger, Rabbi Yitzchok Kerzner, Clanton Park spiritual leader and acting chairman of the Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth of the Kashruth Council of Toronto Jewish Congress, and Rabbi Yitzchok Witty, chairman of the Board of Jewish Education, for his work, among other places, with the BJE, several day elementary and high schools, Kashruth Council, and Toronto Jewish Congress.

The Feldmans' youngest son, Yisroel, brought greetings from the family. He also introduced a video of his sister and brother and their children who live in Israel singing "Yom Holedet Samayach" (Happy Birthday) to Feldman's wife Bella.

Bella Feldman was presented with flowers by Edith Rothschild.

Rabbi Witty presented Feldman with a plaque of appreciation.

A modest Feldman responded that the real honorees of the evening were the yeshivot hesder students.

"To honor them, I consented to my name being used."

He noted the presence of Rabbi and Rebbetzen Gedalia Felder, the chairman of the Kashruth Council, making a rare public appearance.

"That is the greatest honor."

Yeshivot hesder students serve in elite military units, and were among those who liberated Jerusalem in 1967.

Both of Feldman's sons and his son-in-law have studied at hesder yeshivot.

Twelve Toronto young men are currently attending hesder yeshivot, nine from Yeshivat Or Chaim, the Bnei Akiva yeshiva high school founded by, among other people, Yitz Feldman.

Guest speaker Rabbi Eliezer Walsman, rosh yeshiva of hesder yeshiva Kiryat Arba, spoke of yeshivot hesder graduates taking leading roles in building the State of Israel, creating and building settlements and working for the security of the country.

He remembered being asked to speak to a group of soldiers during the Yom Kippur War, including his own students.

After the commanding officer praised the hesder yeshiva soldiers ("We didn't know what they were. Now we got to know them for their courage, devotion and love."), he demanded of Rabbi Waldman "What does G-d want? How long do we have to fight?"

Rabbi Waldman replied, "I don't know how long we will have to fight, or how many more sacrifices there will be. I do know that it is the only way to ensure our existence."

Other speakers were Kurt Rothschild, president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, and Jack Kahn, president of Mizrachi of Canada.

**Rabbi Yitzchak Witty (right) presents a plaque of appreciation to Yitz Feldman, 1991 Yeshivat Hesder dinner honoree, as Feldman's wife Bella looks on.**

# Israel's left and right wing slammed for beliefs on peace

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

It was billed as a look at the Mideast conflict, but those who came with geopolitics on the mind were also treated to a rabbi's passionate examination of contemporary Jewish life.

Peace plans shared centre stage with plans to revive Jewish religiosity and reform the "profoundly boring" services endured by many in synagogues.
agogues.

Los Angeles-based Rabbi Dennis Prager wove the various strands of Jewish identity together in a thought-provoking lecture at the Beth Tikvah Synagogue, sponsored by the new leadership division of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University.

Offering two lectures for the price of one, Rabbi Prager presented a thumbnail sketch of his views of the peace process, arguing for the "passionate centre."

Both left and right in Israel suffer from illusions vis-a-vis the Arabs and peace, he asserted. The left are naive about the moral nature of the Arab world — in which you can search vainly for Muslims to criticize Ayatollah Khomeini's death sentence on author Salman Rushdie — while the right are wrong in believing peace with the Arabs is unattainable.

You don't make peace with someone you love, as the U.S. peace with Stalinist Russia demonstrated, he said.

"Trust is not the issue," he said. "The issue is self-interest."

The Arab world, though in its heart would like to see Israel destroyed, is sick of dying for Palestinians, he said. It, like Egypt prior to the peace treaty with Israel, recognizes that Israel is here to stay.

Israel requires peace so it can devote its energies to Soviet olim, to inspire world Jewry by its accomplishments in non-military fields and because "Jews are not good occupiers. It has its deleterious effects."

Turning to the evening's second topic, Prager wished for himself "a Jewish Aladdin's lamp" that would grant him a further four wishes.

His greatest desire, he said, was for "a massive blossoming of non-Orthodox religiosity."

His own aspiration is to be "a serious Jew," committed to God, Torah and Israel.

He said people return to Orthodoxy, and not to other Jewish streams, because it has passion. "I want the passions of the Orthodox with some of the outlooks of the [non-Orthodox]."

Jews should aspire to keep at least partially some of Judaism's fundamental mitzvot, including kashruth and Sabbath observance, even if by Orthodox standards they are not being wholly observant.

Jewish secular identity is dead, Rabbi Prager proclaimed. Jewish life will survive only through religiosity.

His second wish was for major changes in synagogues to end the sometimes "aggressively boring" services. Shul services are too long, he said, and not enough emphasis is placed on song and study. "Why should Christians get Handel's Messiah," he asked, "and we get [mumbling prayers]."

Wish number three was for changes to Israel's electoral system, which allows for "screwball" members in the Knesset.

His fourth and final wish was for Jews to get out of their insular shell and talk to the world.

Ironically, "the more Jewish the Jew," the less he speaks to the world.

If the world is not influenced by Jewish values, it will be influenced by others' values. Would you rather an American read Maimonides or Shirley Maclean?, he asked.

# UIA leader Sheila Engel attends Winnipeg program

WINNIPEG —

Sheila Engel, national chairman of United Israel Appeal, Women's Division, recently gave a boost to the Winnipeg Women's Division when she attended a successful UIA program.

Engel spoke of her own personal background and her experience in getting involved in Toronto's Women's Division at the home of Michael and Rochelle Nozick. The evening was attended by about 70 women, many of them new to Women's Division activities.

Engel went on to discuss the special position of the community's central campaign — the Combined Jewish Appeal — stressing its primacy and centrality in the context of numerous fund-raising drives. Her presentation stimulated discussion among the participants.

She also met with division leaders and workers, both past and present, in a frank and wide-ranging exchange on issues related to the women's campaign. At a breakfast meeting, Engel spoke to the men's campaign cabinet, noting it had "new and young faces," including new chairs of the Lawyers' and Doctors' Division.

Naida Rubin, Winnipeg Women's Campaign's director, said Engel established "rapport with the various groups and people she met and created enthusiastic reponse."

**Sheila Engel (second from right), national chairman of the Women's Divison of the United Israel Appeal of Canada, visited Winnipeg and met with leaders, contributors and workers of both the women's and the men's campaign. She is seen here with the chairmen (from left) Richard Rosenblat, Gerald Gray, June Black and Melvin Lazareck.**

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*Minister uncomfortable with extremists*

# Weiner stresses importance of a united Canada

*Gerry Weiner, Canada's Minister for Multiculturalism and Citizenship, last week agreed to an interview with CJN Editor Patricia Rucker, news editor Jeff Rosen and reporter Ron Csillag. Our conversation with the minister focused on the status of ethnic communities in Canada, the constitutional debate, Quebec, and the very future of the country.*

By
RON CSILLAG

**TORONTO —**

By all appearances, Gerry Weiner is one very determined man.

He is determined to save Canada from itself, resolute in his belief that the country will weather the current constitutional crisis and be the stronger for it.

"Canada is worth saving. Canada works. Canada will stay together because we want to stay together," Weiner notes, punctuating each remark with a soft slap of the table with his palm. "The federal government is not attempting to sell a model of Canada that doesn't work."

An affable one-time pharmacist and former mayor of Dollard-des-Ormeaux, a Montreal bedroom community, Weiner, 58, has held a variety of ticklish but powerful posts in Ottawa since his election in the Tory sweep of 1984.

Immediately, he was named Parliamentary Secretary to then External Affairs Minister Joe Clark and later, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Immigration and Employment. In 1986, he was appointed Minister of State for Immigration.

In '88, Weiner was named Minister of State for Multiculturalism, with Citizenship tacked onto that title later that year. In '89 came the title of Secretary of State of Canada.

But now, it seems Ottawa has attached more importance to multiculturalism because in the recent cabinet shuffle, it was removed from the aegis of the Secretary of State and made a full-fledged, free-standing ministry.

For Weiner, the lone Jewish Tory member and one of five Jewish MPs, that means an even stronger mandate to go to Canada's ethno-cultural communities and enlist their aid in rescuing a nation threatening to tear itself apart.

He especially appreciates Ottawa's "new focus" on citizenship, which the minister feels "forms the basis of a multicultural society.

"A huge portion of the country has a heritage outside the British isles. Those communities are saying they don't want to be left out of the process. Now, Canadians have had a chance to examine themselves in the mirror and they're saying, 'What have we become?'

"The core Canadian values have changed. There's no such thing as French Canada and no such thing as English Canada anymore. Our diversity maybe the glue that holds us together."

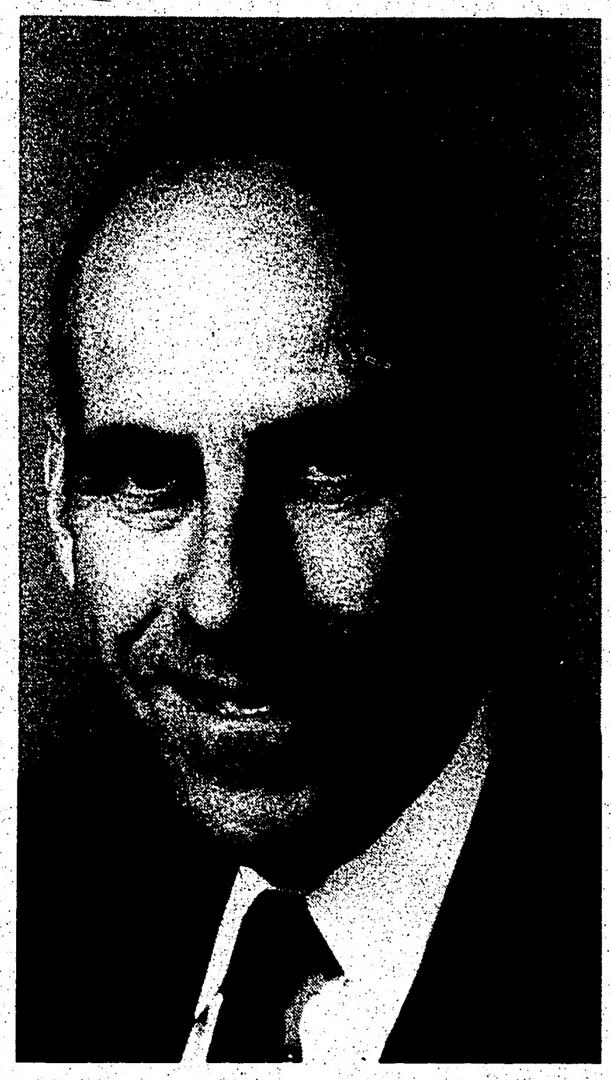
But neither does Weiner delude himself about some of the wrenching questions Canadian are asking, and are being asked. He's especially keen about the future of the anglophone Jewish community in Quebec.

"There is unease," he sighs. "I'd be fooling you if I said I didn't hear it. We're a very cantankerous nation."

In addition to the 200,000 or so anglos who have left Quebec since 1976, a recent poll indicates up to 40 per cent more are considering leaving.

"I think that's quite sad," Weiner comments. "The Jewish community has had a long history of nation-building. Now, it has to reach out, perhaps beyond the bounds of its own community."

Weiner says he is more uncomfortable with some of the "extremists" in Preston Manning's Reform Party than with Quebec separatists.



Gerry Weiner

But overall, the minister points to what he says is a successful Tory record on multicultural issues.

The Conservatives, Weiner points out, have tripled immigration levels since taking power in 1984, enacted the world's first national multiculturalism act and negotiated redress packages with Japanese-Canadians and Italian-Canadians for their treatments during the Second World War.

They're also responsible for the imminent birth of the Canadian Race Relations Foundation, which will promote harmonious relations between Canadians of different backgrounds, and of the Canadian Heritage Languages Institute, which will promote the use of languages other than English and French.

"The message of Canadians seems to be 'Don't leave us out,'" Weiner says. "I'm confident we'll remain united and we'll come up with a solution. It won't be easy. We'll have to be resourceful and innovative.

"Let's not pack our bags just yet. Let's stay together."

# *Rare Holocaust photos displayed at U of T*

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

**TORONTO —**

An exhibition of rare Holocaust photographs scheduled to continue its tour in the United States was inaugurated at the University of Toronto last week.

*A Day in the Warsaw Ghetto* consists of 85 enlarged black-and-white photos taken by German army sergeant Heinz Jost on Sept. 19, 1941, less than two years before the outbreak of the doomed ghetto uprising.

They can be viewed at the Justina M. Barnicke Gallery in Hart House until June 13. The exhibition is accompanied by a 20-minute video of the ghetto.

*A Day in the Warsaw Ghetto*, which will tour through March of 1995, will not appear in any other Canadian city.

The grim, non-propagandistic photographs were in Jost's possession until the early 1980s, when he gave them to the mass-circulation German magazine Der Stern.

Der Stern did not publish them, but made them available to Yad Vashem, the Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority, where they were put on exhibit in 1988. The Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., held the first North American showing.

The graphic photographs are of street life in the crowded ghetto and portray the suffering and degradation of its Jewish inhabitants.

The exhibition was officially unveiled here at a reception organized by the Canadian Society For Yad Vashem. Its national chairman, Dr. Joel Dimitry, is the son of Holocaust survivors, a fact he mentioned in a brief address.

Among the dignitaries in attendance were Gerry Weiner, the federal minister of multiculturalism and citizenship; Henning Leopold von Hassell, the German consul general; Andrzej Brzozowski, the Polish consul general; and Benjamin Abileah, the Israeli consul general.

In an impassioned speech, Weiner — the only Jewish minister in the cabinet — said that the exhibition should ideally be seen in thousands of cities.

The men, women and children in the photographs, whose faces are frozen into timelessness, are not objects, he added. Their humanity cannot be repressed. They will not be forgotten

Blasting racism, Weiner declared it can neither be "tolerated and tempered" nor "modified and accommodated."

"It's up to us in public life to challenge Holocaust deniers and hatemongers."

Weiner expressed "deep and sincere gratitude" to Yad Vashem for its "unceasing work."

Von Hassell described as catastrophic Adolf Hitler's accession to power and the cold-blooded crimes that were committed in Germany's name.

The German nation, he observed, has accepted "the idea of parliamentary democracy" so that totalitarianism cannot rear its ugly head again.

The exhibition, he concluded, shows what cruelty, hatred, prejudice and indifference can produce.

Brzozowski, a former Solidarity trade union official, said that *A Day in the Warsaw Ghetto* is "not only a historical document of the Nazi horror and the tragedy of the Jews during the Second World War, but a warning for present and future generations in which the feeling of superiority of one nation over others still exists."

Abileah paid tribute to Yad Vashem, commending it for educating the public about the Holocaust.

# CJC to raise cash for Kurds

**MONTREAL —**

Following recommendations from its national executive committee and national officers committee, Canadian Jewish Congress has implemented a plan to raise monies for Kurdish relief.

CJC has already kicked off the fund with an initial donation. Many members of the community started calling the CJC office last month, asking what they could do to help. Members of the executive and officers bodies have begun contributing on an individual basis.

"The Jewish community views with distress the anguish of the Kurds who are suffering so grievously at the hands of Saddam Hussein," Canadian Jewish Congress president Les Scheininger stated in a letter last month to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

## *Assist refugees*

The CJC National Holocaust Remembrance Committee has viewed the plight of the Kurds with particular concern. Nate Leipciger, the committee chairman, stated: "The Jewish community of Canada must do whatever it can to assist these thousands of refugees who have been on the move for months, wounded, exhausted, hungry and in desperate need of food, shelter, clothing and medical attention."

Cheques should be made to the Canadian Jewish Congress Charities Committee, 1590 Avenue Dr. Penfield, Montreal, Quebec, H3G 1C5. A cover note should indicate "Kurdish relief." Tax receipts will be issued. CJC will direct the funds it receives to one or more international relief agencies to act as the Congress agent in conducting direct relief programs.

# *Offensive videos will be checked by Canada Customs*

By
PAUL LUNGEN

**TORONTO —**

Canada Customs officials are planning to view neo-Nazi computer video games to determine whether they violate regulations prohibiting the import of hate propaganda.

Canada Customs communications advisor Diana Adams said department spokesmen had arranged with Sol Littman, Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre, to see at least one of the games.

"Naturally we're very concerned about this kind of material," she said.

Customs regulations prohibit the importation of materials that are deemed hate propaganda, she said, adding the definition of hate materials is modeled on that in the Criminal Code, which prohibits the promotion of hatred against identifiable groups.

The video games denigrate Jews and Turks, and promote their mass murder, Littman has said (CJN May 16).

In a letter to Minister of National Revenue Otto Jelinek, Littman asked that the video games be stopped at the border.

The games, which are available primarily in Austria and Germany, employ Nazi symbols and illustrations of Hitler. The goal of one of the games is to be the most efficient commander of a concentration camp while killing prisoners.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# Canada

*Fundamental justice section*

## Zundel appeals on new grounds

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Supreme Court of Canada has given lawyer Doug Christie permission to add another ground of appeal in the case of Holocaust-denier Ernst Zundel.

The High Court will allow Christie to present arguments that the law against publishing "false news" violates the principle of fundamental justice set out in Section 7 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. On Nov. 15, 1990, the court allowed Christie to appeal on the basis that the section violated Section 2 free speech guarantees.

Zundel is appealing a conviction on charges of publishing a pamphlet that denies the Holocaust. He faces a nine-month jail sentence if the Supreme Court upholds the conviction.

In documents to support his application, Christie argued that the false news section is outdated and vaguely worded.

Among other submissions, he suggested that the law "enables special interest groups to seek judicial notice, or judicial imposition of an officially sanctioned view of matters of fact in history which should not be in the purview of courts in a free and democratic society."

During Zundel's trial, the court took judicial notice (accepted without need of proof) that Nazi Germany pursued a policy of mass murder of Jews.

Ian Kagedan, B'nai Brith Canada's director of government relations, said the application looks like another attempt to get "a kick at the cat to try to overturn judicial notice of the Holocaust." He said the High Court had originally overturned Christie's application to appeal on that ground but that now, the Victoria lawyer had framed it in constitutional terms.

Manuel Prutschi, national director of community relations for Canadian Jewish Congress, said the organization had instructed its lawyer, Neil Finkelstein, to take appropriate steps to respond to the additional ground of appeal when the case is heard.

Congress and B'nai Brith have received intervenor status and will be allowed to present legal arguments at the final appeal.

## *Ross inquiry adjourns to await final judgment*

MONCTON —

The continued employment of teacher Malcolm Ross is creating an "untenable position" for minorities in the District 15 school area and an "apprehension of bias" against them, a human rights inquiry was told last week.

Students in Ross' class may feel they will be rewarded by echoing his publicly held views against Jews, Joel Richler, the lawyer representing Canadian Jewish Congress said.

A human rights inquiry into the Malcolm Ross case wound up last week with chairman Brian Bruce reserving a judgment until July.

At the heart of the controversy is a balance between Ross' right to free speech and the protection of minorities from vilification.

The inquiry was prompted by a complaint from Moncton resident David Attis, who alleged Ross' employer, the District 15 school board, was fostering a climate of intolerance by continuing to employ Ross.

Ross is the author of books and articles that allege a Jewish conspiracy to undermine Christianity and which question the Holocaust.

Richler said the cover of Ross's book *The Real Holocaust*, would "meet the approval of every [death camp] exterminator of 1933." He said the book suggest Jews are responsible for abortions and that the real holocaust is the destruction of Christian children.

Attis' lawyer, Joseph Weir, argued the inquiry should order Ross out of the classroom and away from students.

Discrimination exists because of the poisoned atmosphere he has nurtured in District 15, Weir said.

In his concluding remarks, Ross' lawyer Doug Christie, suggested Attis' daughter Yona and other students were pushed into testifying and as a result were so nervous, they broke down and cried.

"Her father wanted to get this guy and as a result, this girl has to go through this. That is because they don't want a cure, they want punishment. They don't want rectification, they want vengeance."

Christie argued Ross should be free to publish his views. Efforts to prevent that is a dangerous form of totalitarianism.

Clyde Spinney, the lawyer representing the province's education department, said the school board charted new territory in its discipline of Ross. There were written reprimands, a gag order, an internal review of the effects of his writings on students and enactment of a tolerance policy — all done while working within the confines of a collective agreement between teachers and the province.

## *Library updates hate issues*

TORONTO —

The research branch of the Library of Parliament (LP) has updated its reviews of developments in the fields of hate propaganda and the prosecution of Nazi war criminals.

"Current issue reviews" of the two contentious areas brings legislators up to date on legal and factual developments — such as the December 1990 decision by the Supreme Court of Canada upholding the constitutionality of the anti-hate law — and provides a chronological summary of major events in the two subject areas.

Authored by Philip Rosen of the LP's law and government division, the review of hate propaganda presents the factual background to the controversial subject, describes legislative remedies employed versus hatemongers as well as proposals to change the law, and discusses the arguments for and against hate propaganda legislation.

The 21-page review concludes with chronological summaries of cases involving former Alberta teacher Jim Keegstra, Toronto pro-Nazi publisher Ernst Zundel, white supremacist John Ross Taylor and convicted hatemongers Donald Andrews and Robert Smith of the Nationalist Party of Canada.

The 14-page look at war criminals, written by Grant Purves, traces the history of the issue back to the post-war Nuremberg trials and looks at the effect of the Cold War on prosecutions and immigration policy. The establishment of the Deschenes Commission to investigate the presence of war criminals in Canada is discussed as is the legislation enacted to provide for domestic prosecutions.

The review also examines the various legal options, including criminal prosecution, extradition and denaturalization/deportation, that have been offered as remedies to deal with Nazi war criminals.

The section concludes with a brief chronological review — from 1948 to the laying of charges against Canadian residents.

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— P.L.

## Correction

A story in the April 18 edition of The Canadian Jewish News regarding a project to offer grants to Soviet scientists who have marketable ideas for science-based industries incorrectly described the project as being "under the aegis of the Israel Cancer Research Fund (ICRF)."

While the idea for the project was developed by one of the ICRF's founders, oncologist Dr. Daniel Miller, the fund is entirely separate from the ICRF, and is administered by a separate board.

For more information contact the Business Council for Science and Industry at 29 Hamered St., P.O. Box 50079, Tel Aviv, Israel 68125; or Dr. Daniel Miller in New York at (212) 794-4838.

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# Project Clothesline runs into snag at Israel customs

By
PAUL LUNGEN
TORONTO —

"What started out of goodness has become a very serious problem."

When Harold Kay and Ellie Korenblum came up with the idea of shipping used clothing to Israel to aid recently-arrived immigrants, they did so with the best of intentions, Fern Kay, Harold's daughter, said.

But rigid Israeli customs laws and miscommunication with partners in Israel has meant that six container-loads of clothing earmarked for Ethiopian olim will sit in warehouses, held up by customs authorities pending payment of taxes that could reach $14,000 U.S. or more.

Fern Kay, co-ordinator of Project Clothesline, which has gathered and shipped the garments to Israel, said the philanthropic effort began on a small scale and quickly overwhelmed its two originators.

Charitably-donated clothing that was expected to enter Israel duty-free has not gotten past entry ports, she said.

Consignees of the shipments in Israel, who were supposed to pick up and distribute the material have not done so and Project Clothesline in Toronto does not currently have the financial resources to pay the taxes, she said.

But every effort is being made to raise the cash needed to pay all duties and taxes. Kay, who took over the project at a time when containers were already being held by customs, said it is unclear what the final cost will be.

Alma Yitzhaki, a spokesman for the director general of the Israel Customs service, told The CJN she believes the figure is now about $14,000 U.S..

Kay said she first learned of the problem when she went to Israel to visit her son around Pesach. "I had a real shock," she said, when told a 20-foot container, sent to WIZO in February, had not been picked up.

Other containers, forwarded to the World Union of Jewish Students (WUJS) for distribution, were also being held by customs.

Kay said she quickly began making arrangements to move the clothing. She set up a new distribution system with the co-operation of the United Organization of Ethiopian Jewry (UOEJ). Its executive-director, Avi Betew, is working on the project from the Israeli end to obtain the proper documentation to permit the garments entry.

Kay said she decided not to publicize the situation, but to try to quietly ensure that the clothing gets to its intended recipients.

"To be honest, we're sick about it," since donors and volunteers entrusted Project Clothesline to deliver the apparel as advertised.

In a telephone interview from Israel, Yitzhaki said the country has been inundated with similar gifts, as well as radios, mattresses and other goods, since the Gulf War broke out.

"There is a tax on all items regardless of whether they are commercial, part of an inheritance, a gift or a donation," Israel Customs director-general Mordechay Bareket said.

Yitzhaki said Customs authorities are not insensitive to the concerns of Diaspora gift-givers, and have slashed by large amounts the duties owing.

But Israel cannot allow such goods unrestricted entry, she said. So far, 25 tonnes of clothing have arrived. In the past, Customs authorities have learned that garments earmarked for charitable purposes have ended up in the marketplace.

Such large amounts can disrupt Israeli industry, affecting local factories which produce clothing and place in jeopardy the jobs of olim who were meant to benefit from the gifts, she said.

Anyone interested in making a contribution towards freeing the goods can forward a tax-deductible donation to the Zionist Organization of Canada Charitable Fund, 788 Marlee Ave. Toronto, M6B 3K1.

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Pictured at a planning meeting of Israel Cancer Research Fund, Coat of Many Colours June 12 at the Royal Ontario Museum are (from left) Martin Dover, Lisa Baumal, co-chairman, Frank Goldhar, Ronitt Katz, co-chairman and Stan Guttman. Dover, Goldhar and Guttman are members of ICRF's board of directors.

# *ICRF group to hold ROM event*

By
CYNTHIA GASNER
TORONTO —

"Few causes are more challenging than helping Israeli scientists find a cure for cancer," says Ronitt Katz, who along with Lisa Baumal will be co-chairing a special fund-raising evening to help conquer cancer through the support of innovative research in Israel.

The fund-raising event, sponsored by the Young Associates of the Israel Cancer Research Fund (ICRF), will be held on June 12, at the Royal Ontario Museum's exhibition A Coat of Many Colours: Two Centuries of Jewish Life in Canada.

The exhibition at the ROM explores the rich traditions of Canada's Jewish community through some 300 artifacts collected from coast to coast.

Katz, whose grandfather died of leukemia in Israel, told The CJN that now that many Russian scientists are going to Israel, "it is doubly important to provide them with the necessary research funds and hope for the knowledge to come out of Zion."

Katz explains that when she met "a bunch of young, dedicated, smart and capable people" in ICRF's Young Associates, she decided that she wanted to become involved in the organization.

Baumal says that her father is a doctor who does cancer research at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children. While on sabbatical in Jerusalem several years ago, "I firmly came to believe that the cures for cancer are waiting to be discovered — that supporting the scientific community in Israel is our best investment in winning the war against cancer. The Young Associates, ICRF provides this opportunity for me."

Pearl Greenbaum, executive director of ICRF, notes that there are more than 1,500 Young Associates, married and single, aged 25 to 40, who support various fund-raising events throughout the year. These include ski weekends, a magic show, a tennis weekend, sports events and parties.

In the fiscal year, 1990-1991, the ICRF allocated more than $2 million to support 97 projects, a professorship, 73 fellowships and project grants, and 23 career development awards. Since its establishment, ICRF has given more than 600 awards valued at $9.4 million to direct cancer research.

Among the areas of cancer research directly sponsored by ICRF are students in leukemia, breast cancer, colon cancer, interleukins, bone marrow transplantation, tumor metastases and improved methods for making monoclonal antibodies.

ICRF's scientific advisory board is composed of eminent cancer researchers and physicians from Canada, the United States and Israel.

"The ICRF is a non-profit organization of physicians, scientists and lay persons who are working together to conquer cancer," says Greenbaum. This event is co-ordinated by the ICRF and the Young Associates Division.

Tickets for the ICRF fundraising evening range from $25 to $100 for sponsors. For more information or to obtain tickets, call the ICRF office, (416) 787-0139.

# Bronfman gets Golden Baton Award

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra has presented its second annual Golden Baton Award to Charles Bronfman and Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Ltd. in recognition of Seagram's long time support of the WSO and other Canadian orchestras.

The presentation was made May 1 at a gala dinner for 250 people at the Centennial Concert Hall. The dinner was followed by a recital featuring renowned violinist Itzhak Perlman accompanied by Grammy Award winning Samuel Sanders, also a major figure in the world of music.

The WSO Golden Baton Award was crafted by Henry Birks & Sons. It recognizes individuals or corporations who have supported the orchestra either with a substantial financial or personal commitment. The first recipient was Harold Buchwald, who developed a plan to get the WSO out of debt in the early 1980s.

Bronfman accepted the award from WSO president Julia DeFehr, saying it was an honor to be following Buchwald. He noted that, thanks to Buchwald's efforts, the WSO is the only symphony in North America with a balanced budget. "It plays damn good music, too," he said.

In presenting the award, DeFehr noted that Seagram has been a supporter and sponsor of the WSO since 1975 and "has directly and significantly contributed to our artistic and financial well-being."

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## Set for Kingston next month

# *Historical group plans meet*

By MYRON LOVE

**WINNIPEG —**

By the end of April, there were already 26 delegates registered for the Canadian Jewish Historical Society's annual conference (June 5 and 6 this year at Queen's University in Kingston).

Organizers are expecting 50-75 delegates to be in attendance to hear Dr. Paul Bartrop and other speakers at the two-day event.

Bartrop is vice-president of the Australian Association for Jewish Studies and a leading member of the Australian Jewish Historical Society. He received a CJHS newsletter in Melbourne last December with information about the Kingston conference. He sent back a letter offering to come on his own initiative and present a paper. Bartrop will be speaking on Wednesday evening (June 5) at Kingston's Beth Israel Synagogue on the topic How do Australian Jews Remember Their Past? Australian Jewish Historiography and the Role of the Australian Jewish Historical Society.

Other speakers include Ruth Frager and Rachel Schlesinger of Toronto speaking on Ethnicity and Gender in the 1912 and 1934 Eaton Strikes and Responses to Crisis: 1939-1945 — Official Voices From a Women's Zionist Organization respectively; Abe Arnold, acting CJHS chair, and Richard Menkis, interim editor of the CJHS Journal, on the CJHS's future; archivists Lawrence Tapper, Barry Hyman, Janice Rosen and Stephen Speisman from Ottawa, Winnipeg Montreal and Toronto respectively, speaking on their archival resources and new approaches to archives; Paula Draper (Toronto), Sandra Morton Weizman (Ottawa), curator of A Coat of Many Colours Exhibit, Marcia Koven, curator, St. John, N.B., Jewish Museum, and Harry Gutkin, president, Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada, speaking on the use of oral documentation in Jewish historiography; Arnold, Irving Abella (co-chair, program committee), Pierre Anctil (Montreal) and Cornelius Jaenen (Ottawa) speaking on The Writing of Canadian Jewish History: State of the Art?; Anthony Rasporich (Calgary) and Henry Trachtenberg (Winnipeg) talking about Jews in Western Canada: Early Rural and Urban Experience.

As well, there will be a joint session on Wednesday afternoon with the Canadian Historical Association exploring the teaching of the Holocaust — the speakers will be Abella, Michael Marrus and Frank Bialystok of Toronto and Alti Rodal of Ottawa — and a video on Thursday evening of Jewish life in British Columbia and Yukon.

Acting chairman Abe Arnold met with CJHS chapters in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg in late April in preparation for the conference. He reports the prospects for the revitalized CJHS are good.

"Our paid membership and donors have reached 160," he says. "We have enrolled quite a number of academics. Funding prospects look good. If we can get the proper support, the society has a lot of potential."

For further information about the conference and/or how to register, contact either your local Jewish historical society or write Abe Arnold, 109 Carpathia Road, Winnipeg, R3N 1S5 (phone: (204) 489-5891).

# Israel Bonds sales earmarked to provide housing and jobs

By MAURICE LUCOW

**VANCOUVER —**

With one million Soviet Jews due to arrive in Israel within the next three years, it would be a "sad story" if they were prevented from coming due to lack of funds, Meir Rosenne, chief executive officer of the worldwide Israel Bonds organization, told The CJN in an interview here.

If there are pogroms in the Soviet Union and Jews are killed because they can't get out, it would be the fault of the world Jewish community, Rosenne said.

The 1991 Bonds campaign, now in progress, has a goal of between $1.1 billion-$1.2 billion and all of it is earmarked for the absorption of Soviet Jews, Rosenne said. This is the first time 100 per cent of the proceeds of Bonds sales has been earmarked for a specific purpose — up to now the money has gone for a variety of projects to enhance the infrastructure of Israel, with 42 per cent allocated for housing and jobs.

Rosenne said all the money raised this year will go for housing and to create industry to provide jobs for the immigrants. He mentioned high tech as one of the industries which will get special attention.

The campaign is going well, he reported, and sales to date this year total $360 million, compared with $177 million at the same time a year ago.

Campaigning is a year-round process, he explained, and is not competitive with the United Israel Appeal. Funds "mobilized" by Bonds are an investment, whereas UIA funds are donated.

Bonds campaigns via 40 offices in the United States and in 26 other countries, including Canada and Latin America.

## *Rosenne attends tribute*

Rosenne was in Vancouver to speak to a well-attended Evening of Tribute honoring community leader Abe Gray at the Four Seasons Hotel. The event was sponsored jointly by State of Israel Bonds and the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. It marked the establishment of the Abe Gray Chair in Business Administration at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Gray has been national campaign co-chairman for the Bonds campaign for the past five years.

Jim Pattison, a prominent British Columbia businessman, who heads an organization with more than 13,000 employees and investments throughout North America and Europe, was chairman of the tribute evening.

Tribute to Gray was paid also by Edward Winant, national president of the CFHU and by Rose Marie Glassman, the national vice-president and president of the Vancouver chapter.

In discussing the sales of Israel Bonds, Rosenne said they have been going up steadily. In 1988, sales totalled $631 million; in 1989, $753 million and in 1990, $770 million. About one-third of the sales (in dollar value) have been made to people outside the Jewish community including pension funds, unions, states such as Florida and Pennsylvania, the city of Chicago and a number of European banks. In all cases Israel Bonds quotes its sales in U.S. dollars.

The current rate of interest is 4 per cent, but for investors of $25,000 and up, the rate jumps to a minimum of 7.5 per cent plus one-half of the difference between 7½ and prime (U.S.). At the moment the rate for $25,000-and-over investors runs about 8 per cent.

The bonds are 12-year instruments, but can be redeemed after five years; in the case of pension funds they can be cashed in after three years.

Rosenne said that in 40 years of operation, Israel Bonds has raised $11 billion and repaid more than $6 billion. He expressed pride in the fact that Israel has never defaulted on its bonds either in principal or interest, and regardless of whether the country was at war at the time of redemption. Many investors reinvest their funds when the Bonds are due for repayment.

# Webber heads unity group

**OTTAWA —**

At their 27th annual meeting held in Ottawa recently, the Council for Canadian Unity (CCU) re-elected Harvey Webber of Sydney as Nova Scotia president of that organization. As such he will sit on the Council's national executive.

Webber is an Honorary Fellow of the Hebrew University, vice-president of Canadian ORT and is on the board of directors, Tel Aviv University Canadian Associates. Together with his wife, the former Ethel Nadler of Montreal, Webber has established student loan funds at many universities in Israel.

The CCU is the most recent of honors awarded Harvey Webber. Although a non-practising barrister, Webber "for a lifetime of community service" was appointed in 1984 as a Queen's Counsel by the government of Nova Scotia. In 1987 Webber was invested by the then governor general, Madame Jeanne Sauve, as a member of the Order of Canada.

In November, 1990, he received the Weldon Law Award for "unselfish public service," having been chosen from among many nominees by Dalhousie law alumni associations across Canada.

With this latest CCU appointment, Webber continues his long time work for Canadian unity. Established in 1964, the council is a non-profit, non-partisan organization comprised of private citizens from across Canada. At a recent annual meeting, Ontario Premier Bob Rae congratulated the CCU. He said "Your work was never more important or more appreciated."


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## LEVY MEETS CJC LEADERS

**Prior to his speech at the Canadian Jewish Congress-sponsored Salute to Israel rally in Toronto recently, Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy gets together with CJC leaders. From left are Ontario Region chairman Eric W. Slavens; national president Les Scheininger, and chairman of the national executive Moshe Ronen. [Zephyr Studios photo]**

# Bill could hurt charities

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from the business other amounts owing.

Where the legislation goes to unreasonable lengths, Luftspring said, is by making corporate directors, officers and others who perform functions similar to those done by designated officers personally liable for amounts the corporate entity owes.

The bill also applies to partnerships and sole propietorships, he added.

The proposed legislation does not distinguish between ma-and-pa businesses and huge corporations, he added. "In either case, and even if the business fails for reasons completely beyond the control of management, directors and officers could face personal ruin because of this new responsibility."

Under existing law, directors' liability is generally limited to cases in which the director has been responsible for the situation.

By requiring corporate executives to make good moneys owing to employees, "the government has run roughshod over the concept of limited liability," Luftspring said. (Corporations have historically been considered independent entities that allow owners to do business while risking only their share capital — not their personal wealth as well.)

Pat Phillips, a spokesman for the Ministry of Labor, said "the main thrust of the bill is to [allow employees] to receive money they've earned or at least some of it. It's to help people because a lot of people have been left in the lurch by companies that go bankrupt or (become) insolvent."

Making executives liable is one way of recovering the money owed employees, she said.

But at least one other ministry appears to be having second thoughts about the effect on charitable organizations.

Phil Shaw, a spokesman for Community and Social Services Minister Zanana Akande, said the ministry "depends so much on voluntary energies in the field and on boards of directors, and the bill may have an impact on the agencies."

*COMSOC says "room to move"*

He suggested that "there is room to move on the bill."

The Liberal party supports the bill insofar as it creates a fund to pay employees sums that are owing them, said Steve Offer, labor critic for the Grits.

But "we have to take a hard look at the extent of the (executives') liability," he said.

Tory labor critic Elizabeth Witmer agreed, saying it appears directors and officers will be responsible for situations totally beyond their control.

Their liability is not limited to the $5,000 the government fund will pay each worker, Offer said.

Many directors who sit on boards do not have responsibility for the operations of the company, but are there to share their particular expertise and experience. "What person would sit on a board who then would protentially run the risk of personally paying employees?" he asked.

And how can non-profit community organizations operate when potential directors run the risk of personal liability for the financial problems of the organization? Offer added.

"I don't know anyone who would want to put their personal assets at stake."

Witmer gave the example of non-profit day care centres, which, she said, may have trouble attracting parents to sit as directors, since they could face large liabilities while receiving no compensation for their work.

Phillips said that Mackenzie has expressed a "willingness to listen to the views of others and is willing to take those views under consideration."

Offer and Witmer favor committee hearings to determine the bill's potential impact on businesses, community organizations, employees and directors of non-profit corporations.

The committee should also investigate the availability of directors' insurance, they said.

Luftspring believes the cost of such insurance, which is not widely offered, is prohibitively expensive and may not be available to directors of charitable organizations.

In the latter case, "those organizations cannot afford or do not qualify for directors and officers insurance," he said. "It may well be impossible to recruit anyong to act as a director and officer of any such organization that has more than a few employees."

Both Luftspring and Witmer said they had learned in recent weeks that out-of-province businesses, worried about the effects of directors' liability, are taking a second look at opening in Ontario.

# B.C. offers haven for asthma victims

By MAURICE LUCOW

**VERNON, B.C. —** Southern Ontario asthma sufferers who have had to seek relief in the healing dry air of Arizona or Mexico can add a new location to their list — Vernon, in the interior of British Columbia.

Vernon Jubilee Hospital has just accepted its first patient in a pilot program under which asthma sufferers from southern Ontario will be treated in Vernon's dry and pollution-free climate for four months. The treatment will be funded by OHIP, according to hospital executive director Bob Ferguson.

"OHIP benefits because they save money by sending patients here instead of to U.S. hospitals, and we benefit because we receive out-of-province revenue," Ferguson said.

He added that patients in the program will not be tying up needed hospital beds because they will use the hospital's overnight stay unit, which has ample space available.

Ferguson said most of the patients will be coming from Metro Toronto.

Sending patients to a drier, cleaner climate is a tested treatment for serious asthma cases, he said. After a short time, patients can be weaned off the large doses of medication they require to sustain free breathing.

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## If territorial compromise on peace agenda:

# *Agricultural minister threatens to leave coalition*

NEW YORK (JTA) —
The leader of a right-wing party in Israel's Likud-led coalition government has warned that his two-seat faction will quit the government if territorial compromise is on the agenda of peace talks.

But Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan of the Tsomet party said that he does not believe Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir will agree to discuss giving up land for peace.

Likud, whose coalition controls 66 of the 120 Knesset seats, is threatened with the defection of at least seven seats and the loss of its majority should Israel enter into peace talks leading to the withdrawal from lands occupied following the 1967 war.

Some dovish members of Knesset from the Labor and other left-of-centre parties have offered to prop up the Likud government with their seats if the small, right-wing parties withdraw over this issue.

Eitan also rejected the idea of offering Palestinians in the territories some measure of autonomy, saying they already have a state and government — in Jordan.

"I don't believe they need any government — they have a state in Jordan. The majority of the population in Jordan are Palestinians," said Eitan, a former Israel Defence Force chief of staff.

Autonomy, or limited self-rule, has been promoted by some Israeli officials as a compromise between Palestinian demands for independence and Israeli desires to retain control of the territories.

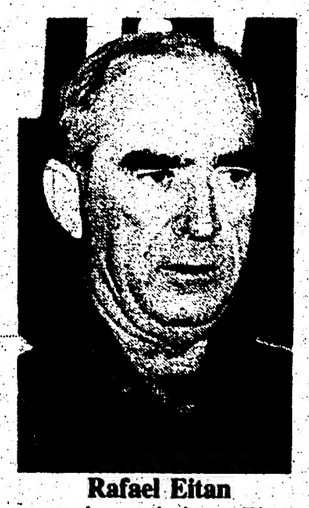
But Eitan said he would not support self-rule for the Palestinians on "Israeli soil."

"If they want a government, they can establish one in Tunisia, or on the moon, or Jordan or in the Himalayas," he said. "But not on Israeli soil."

Eitan, whose visit to the United States was timed to coincide with the English publication of his book, *A Soldier's Story*, dismissed the idea of negotiations with the Palestinians.

"What is there to talk about with them?" he asked.

While all sides have been eager to give at least the appearance of movement toward negotiations, Eitan flatly denied that any positive steps had been made.



**Rafael Eitan**

"There is no peace, no process of peace. There never has been any peace," said Eitan.

He called for expanding Jewish settlements in the territories, applying Israeli rule to the areas where Jews live and encouraging Palestinians to move to Arab countries.

Although Eitan said his party does not support compulsory "transfer" of Palestinians out of the territories, "I think they should be encouraged to emigrate on their own will," he said.

He said such encouragement should come through economic pressure, both by bettering the economic situations in Arab lands, and making it more difficult for Palestinians from the territories to work in Israel proper.

Eitan also said he believes Israeli annexation of the West Bank is inevitable.

"There are several ways of action," said Eitan, when asked how he viewed the future of the West Bank.

"We can annex, we can postpone the annexation, we can annex just the territories without the people," he said.

He also indicated that the West Bank and Gaza Strip could in effect be annexed without a formal declaration, such as was done after the 1948 War of Independence when Israel captured some territory not granted in the United Nations partition plan.

# Deri confident sought in "Shas affair"

JERUSALEM (JTA) —
The ongoing probe of alleged fraud, bribery and misappropriation of funds at the highest levels of Shas, the Orthodox Sephardi party, became mired in extraneous issues last week but continued to mesmerize the public.

Appearing at a court hearing May 14, a senior police officer denied that either the police or the state prosecutor is trying to persuade young Shas activists to turn state's evidence if the cases against Interior Minister Arye Deri and Communications Minister Rafael Pinchas ever go to trial.

The officer, Meir Gilboa, was testifying at a hearing involving two former Deri aides.

The suggestion that the police may be searching the junior ranks of Shas for cooperative witnesses may have arisen from the accusations of malfeasance lodged against the two ministers by Rabbi Ya'acov Yosef of Jerusalem, a son of former Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, Shas' spiritual mentor.

Ovadia Yosef, a strong defender of Deri, has denounced his son's charges.

Police sources, meanwhile, say they are anxious to question Shas Knesset member Yair Levy, a confidant of Deri's, when he returns from the United States.

Levy went there immediately after Passover as a guest of the United States Information Agency's visiting parliamentarians program and has remained there on his own.

His continued absence and the absence of his wife and children from their Bnei Brak home raised suspicion that Levy was trying to avoid a grilling by police.

But on May 14, he telephoned Knesset Speaker Dov Shilansky and sent him a letter by facsimile from a New York physician, confirming that Levy is undergoing tests for a heart ailment, which would keep him in the United States for two more weeks.

Shilansky said there is "no reason not to believe him." Levy also reportedly told the speaker he was deeply hurt by "what is being done to me while I am on alien soil."

The latest twists in what the local media call the "Shas affair" is front-page news here.

Shas, whose five Knesset seats are essential to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's coalition government, has become increasingly irritated by the seemingly endless police investigation of Deri, Pinhasi and other ranking party figures.

Threats have surfaced in Shas circles to quit the coalition and topple the government.

Rabbi Arye Gamliel, another Shas Knesset member, declared that he would henceforth refuse to support the government with his vote.

He accused Likud of trying to "destroy Shas at all costs."

Former Chief Rabbi Yosef, meanwhile, is expected to convene the party's Orthodox sages and Knesset members to decide whether to endorse Gamliel's position.

The investigation has been proceeding for the better part of a year. The police reportedly forwarded several files on Deri to the state prosecutor, with a recommendation that formal charges be brought against the minister. But no final decision has been made.

Deri and the others are accused primarily of channeling government funds to favored Shas-linked religious institutions through the budgets of local municipal authorities, which are controlled by the Interior Ministry.

According to press accounts, the principals in the case are also suspected of personal improprieties involving public funds.

Two former aides of Deri currently in custody, Yom Tov Rubin and Moshe Weinberg, are suspected by the police of bribery and fraud.

Police sources told *Yedi'ot Achronot* that Deri himself would be questioned again this week. So far, he has refused to reply to key police questions.

Two opposition Knesset members announced, meanwhile, that they would appeal to the High Court of Justice against a 36 per cent increase in government funding for political parties.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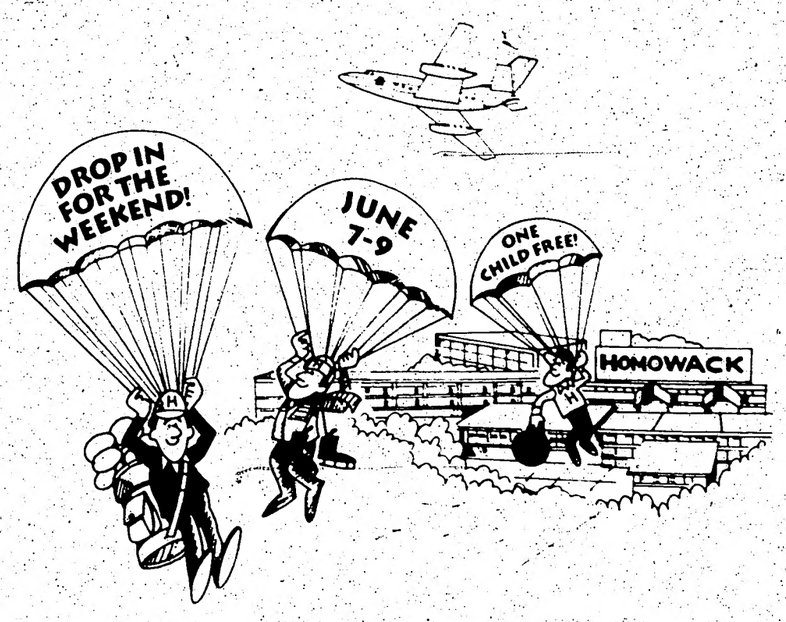


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# Front Line

## Chamsin blows into Israel along with foreign ministers

COMMENTARY

By
YESHAYAHU ANUG

These days the scorching "*chamsin*" blows lazily from the Arab deserts. We sweat on the coastline and dry up in the hills and our tempers run high. We are impatient, irritable and do not like to be bothered.

But foreign ministers from almost everywhere keep coming. Baker was here four times, even Besmertnikh came for six hours. They all tell us that the Gulf War has created new opportunities for seriously tackling the Arab-Israeli mess and that "winds of change" are blowing. Some of us feel only the *chamsin*. We know it and are used to it.

The celebrated victory in the Gulf of "good against evil" is three months old and its aftermath is depressing. The Americans and their European allies are embroiled up to their necks in the post-war Gulf chaos and do not know how to handle all the gruesome problems victory has generated.

Saudi Arabia, much less elated now than in the exciting hours of the Schwarzkopf victory to help in Arab-Israeli peacemaking, was very tempted to retreat into its pre-war immobility, but was induced to move a few inches. Assad of Syria, the lucky investor in the war stocks, who got handsomely paid by the Saudis for his dubious participation in the anti-Saddam war, now uses the much needed money to buy more arms.

For a while it looked as if he had learned that some tactical softening of his anti-Israel ferocity will not do him much harm. But then he returned to full rigidity and, still not ready for direct negotiations with Israel, asked for a UN-sponsored conference, counting safely on Israeli refusal to agree. He knows the ball will not remain in his court only.

Yeshayahu Anug

While so many things happen all over the world, why this international mobilization for pressing on the Arab-Israeli conflict? The answer of all the visiting foreign ministers is that the military balance in the area has deteriorated from any potential aggressor's point of view and some useful lessons on the price of adventurism have probably been absorbed.

For some time the Iraqi threat has been eliminated. So there is some logic in the assumption that even little progress on the Arab-Israeli issue could brighten the skies of the Middle East. Israelis are suspicious, but hang their guests' flags on the lampposts of Jerusalem, put red carpets under their tired feet, and stick microphones into their poker faces.

The government is uncomfortable. It senses no refreshing breeze in the air and believes that the Arab-Israeli conflict is as perennial as the *chamsins*. It offers the Arabs peace for peace. The whole Land of Israel is sacrosanct, said Prime Minister Shamir again, while Baker was sweating in Syria. No question of exchanging territories for peace. Some observers, puzzled by the timing, are still wondering whether this is Shamir's last word.

During the visit of the Soviet foreign minister, I asked a friend of mine, a prominent Herut leader — who has impeccable hawkish credentials — what he thought of the highly advertised settlement-show, starring Ariel Sharon and his Gush Emunim troupe. "This is sheer madness," he said. While the Arabs are giving nothing and could get most or some of the blame for torpedoing any progress in the area, Israel seems eager to get all the blame."

By the way, these much discussed settlements are, in my opinion, not as insuperable an obstacle for easing this conflict as — for totally opposed reasons — Arabs and Israelis claim they are. A genuine effort for peace by both sides — or, in its absence — equitable persuasion from the outside could accommodate the existing settlements in one or another acceptable way. The many that exist already, are bound to play an important role in any future negotiations and a few more will make absolutely no difference.

A very senior cabinet minister, with whom I tested this opinion, fully agrees. He too thinks, that those, in and outside the government, who are behind this bizarre settlement-rush at this time, are just struggling for power within the political right, at the expense of this nation's real priorities and meagre resources. Who shall outhawk whom is the name of the show on the right. In fact, there is already some real turbulence in that sector. The theatre of the doves is closed for renovation.

As things are looking after the last Baker visit, a spectacular breakdown of the American-led peace offensive is not an option for now. The talks in Damascus have confirmed the impression, that Syria looks for an escape route from direct negotiations with Israel by insisting on a meaningful role for the United Nations, while some would-be Arab participants still insist on a more durable role for the Peace Conference than Israel, which wants it to be only the trigger for direct negotiations. But the atmosphere of the Baker marathon in Jerusalem was better than expected and led to useful mutual clarifications. Some sources characterized the talks as successful, without revealing the details.

An invitation to attend a Peace Conference will come only once the remaining obstacles are removed or circumvented. It is quite possible that the list of participating Arab parties will be smaller than expected. The moment for the Israeli government to make its crucial decision is postponed, but still approaching. There is a chance that it will say yes. Then a political crisis within the present government's composition will probably dominate the local scene and interrupt the peace momentum. Labor could then offer Mr. Shamir external parliamentary support or — and this would be a very surprising development indeed — even join the government which then, for the first time in years, could free itself from the blackmail-power of its present uncomfortable partners on the fringes. And we could also have early elections, an option already mentioned in a previous column (April 11).

Quite incidentally, during the last hours of Baker's presence in Jerusalem, the heavy chamsin broke and fresh western winds refreshed the country. But whether these are the "winds of change" that the Middle East was promised, is much too early to say.

# OPINION

## *U.S. plan to sell Arabs arms may hinder Baker efforts*

By
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Secretary of State James A. Baker's efforts to open the door for diplomacy in the Mideast could be undercut by the administration's plans to sell $20 billion in arms to friendly Arab countries.

Diplomacy will fail if parallel steps are not taken to ease the underlying insecurity of Arabs and Israelis alike. Pouring more arms into the region would do the opposite. Congress should demand answers to tough questions while considering the request: why do countries that are armed to the teeth, whose chief rival has just been defeated and that have received fresh security guarantees from the United States and the UN Security Council need to get yet more advanced weapons?

Who is the enemy, Iraq or Israel?

In this period of rapid change and social unrest, the most urgent security threats stem from internal, not external, sources. Even the wealthiest oil-producing nations will be hard-pressed to pay for the war's human and ecological toll, while Israel struggles to absorb Soviet immigrants.

In the Gulf War the quantity of advanced arms was not decisive: Iraq had plenty. What mattered was morale, discipline and leadership, which the United States cannot provide, and the latest smart weapons and air force radar-evading stealth thechnology, which we should not provide. Too much advanced Western technology has already ended up in the hands of Iran, Libya and Iraq.

U.S. restraint, of course, will do little good if it is not matched by that of other major arms suppliers. The UN Security Counil'e five permanent members, responsible for collective security, happen to the world's five largest arms salesmen.

The five should agree to freeze the quantity and quality of arms throughout the region at current levels, to refrain from introducing new types of weapon systems and to stop transferring surface-to-surface missiles and related technology into the area. A consultative mechanism should be established under the Security Council, which has responsibility for the "requlation of armaments" under the Charter, to address which transfers should be allowed. The Council should periodically review the terms of this moratorium.

At the last General Assembly, countries throught the Middle East welcomed a UN study outlining a range of possible confidence-building measures based on the encouraging experience in Europe. So for the first time in years there is a realistic opportunity for a durable peace. America should not undercut it for the sake of propping up its ailing arms industry through exports.

*(Max M. Kampelman is chairman of the United Nations Association of the USA. Edward C Luck is president of the organization).*

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## There's a chicken in every pot with Jewish humor

HUMOR

By
ALLAN GOULD

In this new humor column (which will appear monthly, unless my beloved mother-in-law chooses to write in extremely often). I hope to give readers of The CJN something to laugh about. And, in the case of the Jews, there usually isn't very much happening in the world that's particularly funny.

So, for some three thousand years now, the Jewish people have been saying the Yiddish equivalent of "It's hard to be a Jew." As this column suggests, I'm out to prove the fun behind that fact, as well.

Take, for example (and for this issue) the use of cliches. We all know what cliches are: hackneyed phrases, idioms which have been over-used to the point of nausea, too-familiar quotations.

Well, I've decided to go through some of my favorites and make them a bit more Jewish, to better reflect our glorious heritage. See if you agree.

An Achilles' heel: Usually, someone's weak spot. But how about a Jewish version? We Jews should say something like "ach, that son of mine is really my Moishe's tongue."

Apple of one's eye. A dreadful cliche about the preciousness of someone, which needs a Yiddishe tam. So how about "You're the potato of my chulent."

At your earliest convenience is a boring cliche about time. And since we all know about JST (Jewish Standard Time), where 9 a.m. Shabbas davening begins at 9:45, how about a cliche for us? "I'll see you promptly within a few hours of when we have to meet."

Allan Gould

Backing the wrong horse. Who doesn't support the wrong cause? Still, the phrase needs a Jewish twist. "Why are you always King Husseining?" (Arafating is also good, but why give him the publicity?)

Baptism of fire. We've all had them, but you can see the obvious problem. I suggest "That meeting with my son's teacher was really an enflamed mikvah for me."

Blind leading the blind. Nope, it's from Luke, a book most Jews don't read. So: "This is clearly a case of balabatim leading balabatim." (Look it up.)

Buying a pig in a poke. Treif. Go with "you are clearly buying a ritually-slaughtered cow in a barn, that's for sure." (Wordy, but when it comes to Jewish ritual, we should have all the time in the world.)

Cast pearls before swine. Not only treif, but also from the book of Matthew. So: "It's useless doing anything for him; it's like serving Haagen Dazs to someone fleishig."

Cleansing the Augean stables. Amalek, maybe, but who remembers Hercules? Jews should try to say, instead, "It's like selling a condo."

Know on which side one's bread is buttered. A nice proverb, but too cliche. And what if you've just eaten meat, or business isn't very good? We prefer "I certainly know on which side my day-old challah is margarined."

Make a mountain out of a mole-hill. Jews can do better with this exaggerating a trifle greatly. We urge everyone to use: "You sure are making a UJA pledge out of a donation."

Many are called but few are chosen. Nope, this is also from Matthew. Go with "Many are phoned but Jews are chosen."

Nodding acquaintance. "Him I know from shul."

Not enough room to swing a cat. Too violent. We suggest "She doesn't have enough room to let her bread leaven."

Off the beaten track. Try "Your ideas are way off Bathurst." Montrealers can consider "Boy, your experiments are far from Snowden." Winnipeggers? "Wow, are you drifting away from the North End."

Oh! To be in England now that April's there. Sweet, but hardly Jewish. Go with "Oy, to be in Jerusalem for Shavuot."

Pour oil on troubled waters. With all the problems we Jews have had with oil, how about "Let me introduce my daughter to your son."

Salt of the earth. Lovely, but, again, from Matthew. Why not "My husband Harold, he's just the noodle of the pudding."

A sight for sore eyes. Pretty nice, but with only a slight change we get "You sure are a sight for tzorres."

Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak. Yep, it's Matthew again. So let us use "I certainly would, but although my neshama is good, my fleish is farfallen."

Every Tom, Dick and Harry. No tam. Let's go with "My daughter doesn't date every Asher, Reuven and Yehuda."

Word should be as good as one's bond. A good thought. But why not "Your trust company should be as good as an Israeli Bond."

Words fail me! There is absolutely no expression whatsoever that would make this work for Jews. Since when have they ever been at a loss for words?

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## *Waldheim a liability*

In Austrian political circles, it is an open secret that Kurt Waldheim, the state president, wants to run for a second term. Waldheim, a former Wehrmacht officer who deliberately concealed his past and thereby besmirched his country's reputation, would do well to jettison his putative plans. Indeed, he should gracefully step down and leave the field to others. Austria's image, which was badly battered by his electoral triumph in 1986, will surely suffer yet another blow should he decide to contest the 1992 election.

The issue is scheduled to be thrashed out in June at a conference of the conservative People's party, which supported his original candidacy. Waldheim is reportedly popular with the rank and file and Waldheim's friend, Foreign Minister Alois Mock, appears to back him. However, certain elements within the party, including its chairman, Josef Riegler, have yet to commit themselves.

We can only hope that common sense ultimately prevails. Waldheim is a liability — not only to his party but to Austria itself. Here is a man who, in his memoirs, claimed that he had studied law in Vienna when, in fact, he was a German army officer in the Balkans from 1942 to 1945, a time of troubles during which numerous civilians, including Jews, were wantonly murdered. Even after the truth emerged, Waldheim adamantly refused to draw the correct conclusions and expeditiously withdraw from the presidential campaign. Waldheim succumbed to overweening ambition and hubris, traits for which he is known far and wide, and the majority of his fellow Austrians blithely endorsed him. Did they not realize that a president as personally tainted by the past as Waldheim could only discredit Austria? With few exceptions, Waldheim has been shunned by the world community since 1986.

If the People's party re-nominates Waldheim, and if he is re-elected, Austria will again endure six more years of shame, humiliation and rejection. Waldheim should announce his retirement without further delay. As a self-avowed Austrian patriot, he should place his nation's interests above his own interests.

## *Time for a freeze*

There is much that is positive in the efforts of Soviet Foreign Minister Alexander Bessmertnykh and American Secretary of State James Baker in trying to bring the healing balm of diplomacy to the half century old Arab-Israeli imbroglio.

Bessmertnykh has exercised a judicious judgment in not threatening, as the press had widely reported, to use the issue of Soviet Jewish emigration as a lever against the Jewish State.

Baker has, on his side, employed his considerable diplomatic skills to persuade five Arab states, including Saudi Arabia, to attend a regional peace conference with Israel. The inflexibility of the Syrian regime does not negate the good work that Baker has already done.

The moderate successes which Bessmertnykh and especially Baker have compiled, risk being neutralized, however by the incredibly obtuse rearmament policies which both the Soviet and American governments and the three other permanent members of the United Nations Security Council are pursuing in the Middle East.

Max Kampelman and Edward C. Luck, who serve the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. as chairman and president respectively, warn correctly that new arms shipments currently being transported to the Middle East — $20 billion by the United States alone to "friendly" Arab governments — do nothing to advance the cause of peace in a very volatile region.

Writing in the New York Times (May 9) they ask why the Arab countries of the Middle East, having witnessed the thrashing of their worst enemy's military infrastructure, and having received strong security guarantees from both the United States and the UN Security Council, need even more advanced weaponry in the wake of the Gulf War.

In order to afford Baker and Bessmertnykh the opportunity to make some real concrete progress in introducing some measure of sanity in a region where hatred of Israel has been the only currency, the five permanent members of the august body which is supposed to promote peace in the world, should immediately put a freeze on the quality and quantity of the arms they now ship to the Middle East.

During the Gulf War, Israel gave the world a lesson in self-restraint. It is time for the five permanent members of the Security Council to do the same and stop flooding the Arab Middle East with weapons of war.

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**CLEARING THE AIR**

The article Jewish Schools Rated (CJN April 18) in our opinion, is a misrepresentation of the facts and figures published in the report issued by the Ministere de l'Education comparing exam results of francophone and anglophone private high schools throughout Quebec.

Your paper has seen fit to pick out certain information from the government booklet pertaining to Montreal Jewish private schools and to publish these bits and pieces without proper analysis of the realities of the existing school system of the various schools involved.

Although there was some attempt at an explanation for these figures, we, the administration of the Beth Rivkah Academy, strongly feel that a more detailed analysis is in order.

• Of the 12 Jewish high schools in the Province of Quebec, seven are "English" and as such are **not permitted** by law according to Bill 101 to enrol any immigrant students. The other five schools are considered "French schools," where the language of secular instruction is French, and are therefore permitted to enrol immigrant students.

The Beth Rivkah Academy is one of the Bill 101 French schools. All secular studies are taught, and exams are written in the French (as a mother tongue) language. These courses include mathematics, all sciences, history, geography, economics, music, etc., but most importantly, our Secondary V students are required to pass a very difficult three-part French (as a mother tongue) exam which is corrected in Quebec, and is the same exam written throughout Quebec in schools attended by francophones. Because of our Bill 101 status, we enrol immigrants from all over the world — e.g. Russia, Israel and the United States. Moreover, half of our students are **anglophone** children from the community.

The "English schools" have a student population which is mostly anglophone and non-immigrant. They write the exams in their mother tongue — English, and French as a second language, which is quite different.

How, therefore, can results be compared for a final rating?

• The average mark of the non-immigrant students in Beth Rivkah is 75 per cent, which is in the first quintile. It is noteworthy that for the physique exam (in French) in Secondary IV, for which our immigrant students did not register, the average mark for Beth Rivkah was 82, with a 100 per cent success rate — the highest in the Province of Quebec for all French private schools — Jewish and non-Jewish! Also, in Secondary V math (option) for which no immigrant students registered, Beth Rivkah was in the first quintile with a 100 per cent success rate.

Even when the "lower" marks of the immigrant students are included in the overall average, Beth Rivkah is the highest among the "Bill 101" schools, including those that have a majority of francophone students. The fact that these students aequired a 70 per cent average overall, with a 79 per cent success rate is to the credit of their teachers and the students' hard work.

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*Editor's Note: As the original story stated, Joe Rabinovitch, executive director of the Association of Jewish Day Schools attributed the poor results in some schools to the fact that immigrants and "allophone" students not yet adept in French were writing examinations in that language. The story clearly points out that the language of secular instruction at the Beth Rivkah Academy is French.*

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**George Bush**

**NEW REALITY FOR ARABS**

The recent perception of an emerging favorable climate for the resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict in the wake of the establishment of new and unprecedented alliances to counter the aspirations of a belligerent, militarized Arab state has raised new hopes that Israel and the Arab world may set aside their hostilities, thereby improving the incendiary nature of Middle East politics.

With Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, other inflammatory Middle East issues became evident, which, while having nothing to do with the Arab-Israeli conflict, were, for the first time, publicly addressed within the Arab world.

Resentment at the economic disparity and perceived injustice at the overt opulence in countries such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the other gulf states while the Arabs of Egypt, Jordan, and their West Bank counterparts subsist in conditions of relative poverty has brought to the forefront the fact that perhaps the greatest difficulties facing the Middle East find their source elsewhere than in the much publicized friction created by the Arab-Israeli conflict.

In the 43 years since Israel's foundation, Israel and the United States have been personified as the initiators and persisting causes of all the injustices and inequalities in the Middle East, preventing the Arab masses from taking their place in the sun. These claims may no longer hold the credibility they did among the Arab masses of today, and may yet be abandoned by their leaders as counterproductive.

Because of the Soviet Empire's disintegration and its diminished ability to act as a counterweight to the power and influence exercised by the United States in the political, military and economic spheres, Israel and the West no longer appear so attractive an enemy in the eyes of many Arab governments.

As things stand, any hopes of a renewed campaign for the military annihilation of the Jewish state are becoming increasingly elusive, while its value as an effective distraction from the many problems and dissatisfactions faced by the Arab masses appears, for the first time in history, to be outweighed by the Arab world's need for better relations with the West and the increased support likely to ensue.

An attitude of appeasement by President George Bush toward the more extremist Arab states will only help to sustain the failed status quo. An American approach promoting authentic change in attitude and co-operation with Israel and the West, holds the only genuine hope for dismantling the Middle East powder keg.

**Benjamin Broide**
**Montreal**

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**UNFAIR TO YESHIVOT**

I would like to formally convey my concern that the article in The CJN (April 11) interpreted our interview in an overly negative way. I never expected such a headline!

It was my understanding that the purpose of the article was simply to inform the public of the existence of the Torah and Vocational Institute of Montreal, whose sole purpose is to provide training in a Torah environment for marketable skills to the Jewish community — no more and no less. The skewed perspective of the article has justifiably created a lot of resentment among some educators as it might give the impression that going to yeshiva can only lead to unemployment, which is certainly not the case.

The problem of unemployment is not unique to yeshiva graduates and, in fact, secular training is given in yeshivot in Montreal.

**Prof. A. Boyarsky**
**Montreal**

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**PAIN OF 40 YEARS**

In response to Henry Petroff's letter of April 25/91, It Hurts 40 Years Later.

The common usage verb "to Jew someone" should not hurt you but instead, attempt to explain to others how wrongly this noun turned into a verb form in common usage.

I first learned of this verb from a non-Jewish professor of mine at university. He, in his kindness, wanted to show the class how easily distorted expressions (in this case a verb) came to be taught in a Jesuit environment before he even knew the difference between Jew and Gentile.

As he grew older, he discovered its meaning and began to teach others not to use it. Accordingly, he stated that perhaps because one Jew has cheated a gentile, it became famous that all Jews did so and gradually the term "to Jew someone" became common usage as a verb.

In his case, his own wisdom taught him differently and he showed it with his students on a yearly basis as a vehicle to rectify the wrong usage and at the same time proved its source and wrong meaning. Could we all, perhaps, attempt to do likewise instead of carrying the pain or burden for 40 years. Let's try it.

**Ilana Izso**
**Montreal**

# Name Game

**There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.**

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**WALLACH — ZACK**

Here is a name that can be interpreted in one of at least four ways.

Wallachia is a place in Romania. Wlok is the Polish way of describing an Italian.

Walach is the Polish word for gelding.

But the last word goes to the Hebrews who claim that it is an acronym for **V'ohavta L'reacha Komocha**. (Love thy neighbor as thyself).

This may betray ambiguity in tracking down the origin of a surname, but it adds zest to the Game of the Name.

A similar situation pertains in lesser degree to the name Sacks or Zacks.

It may emanate from Sachsen (Saxony) a division of Germany.

A sentimental attribution is to the acronym of **Zerah K'doshim** (seed of the holy).

# Opinion

*Part of Russia's new reality*

## Anti-Semites go public on Moscow's May Day

By
J. B. SALSBERG

It was another "irony of history" and a painful one.

On the First of May, 1991, the traditional Socialist day of working class solidarity, on that day organized groups of self-confessed anti-Semites marched among the tens of thousands of May Day celebrants in Moscow and in Leningrad with painted anti-Semitic banners held high!

And such is Russia's new reality, that no one; neither the leaders nor the rank-and-file, considered it a desecration of the historic May Day tradition of internationalism and no one took the inflammatory anti-Jewish slogans from the bloody hands of the anti-Semites.

Here is a fuller description of that revolting manifestation of re-incarnated Russian anti-Semitism, as reported in the Forverts (Forward) of New York in its May 10 edition:

"Thousands of participants in the May First demonstrations in Moscow and Leningrad carried anti-Semitic slogans, reports the Jewish Telegraph Agency. The demonstraters accused the Soviet leaders that 'they have a better relationship with the Jews than with the Russians. . . .

". . . One of the banners carried in the Leningrad parade read: Soviet Army, save us from the Jewish/Bolshevik slaughterers!

"Some banners in Moscow asked not to establish relationships with the Fascist-anti-Semitic State of Israel."

After reading the above news report of the Moscow and Leningrad May Day "celebrations" it became crystal-clear to me why Russian Jews are now packing their bags, in ever-increasing numbers, and are heading to the Jewish homeland, to Israel. . . .

J.B. Salsberg

After reading the above report of the latest May Day "celebrations" in Russia's two major cities, Moscow and Leningrad — formerly St. Petersburg — I felt as if engulfed in a tortuous spiritual prison.

Let's see:

In the historic battles against the feudal-Czarist oppression of Russian Jews, who were long-suffering victims of Czarist rule (which included well-plotted pogroms) became the vanguard in that "prison of nations" (as Lenin called it) in the struggle for freedom. Hundreds of young Jewish idealists sacrificed their freedom and their very lives in that life-and-death confrontation.

Jewish workingmen and women filled the Russian prisons in that "sacred" battle.

Jews were among the founders and early leaders of the movements for elementary democratic rights for the Russian landless serfs and the poor handicraftsmen in the towns. They, the Jews, were also among the founders and leaders of the "illegal," underground, democratic political movements that aimed at attaining West-European democratic conditions in backward Russia.

Young Jewish workingmen and women joined with the Jewish intellectual elite in founding political parties that aimed at advancing the economic, social and Jewish national aspirations of the Jewish people. Thus there came into being Jewish trade unions; Jewish political parties like Der Bund (Socialist); the S.R. (Socialist Revolutionaries); S.D. (Social Democrats); Poale Zion, often called the "Boruchovtses," after the labor-Zionist theoretician, Ber Boruchov.

Now, some 75 years after the historic Russian Revolution, anti-Semitism seems to be alive and well in Russia!

It has even reached the stage of openly, defiantly, unashamedly, marching in the May Day celebrations with and under virulent anti-Semitic banners and slogans!

And no one stopped them. . . .

Does Gorbachev approve of that emergent evil? I, personally, find it hard to believe that he does.

I rather think that he is in such distressing conditions, in his efforts to lead the Soviet Union back to a "competitive" economic society (private enterprise, we call it) that he wants to stay out of "the anti-Semite challenge."

But he won't be able to do it. And the sooner he faces up to it, the better it will be for all.

In the meantime, Russian Jews, reading the ominous writing on the walls of Pomyat and the May Day anti-Semitic outbursts in Moscow and Leningrad, will, I'm sure, redouble their "Exodus" from the land of broken dreams and head to Israel, where Jews, all Jews, any Jews, have the right to enter, to find asylum and, hopefully, a happy future. . . .

Yes, life is so unpredictable! Isn't it?

No longer considered a minority

## *Jewish professors, students struggle with identity*

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Time was, not so long ago, when most Jewish professors at North American universities were everything except Jewish, or at least publicly so. Only a small minority would take part in the activities of the local community, be members of a synagogue, or otherwise identify themselves.

But that has changed, and radically so. A recent symposium published by *Sh'ma* (a bi-monthly newsletter edited by Rabbi Eugene Borowitz) featured four Hillel directors who assessed the self-identification of teachers at four universities: Princeton, Michigan, Chicago and UCLA.

They agreed that significant progress has been made. Where formerly Jewish professors generally might soft-peddle their Judaism, they are now quite open about it. They belong to synagogues, contribute to the UJA, and may be seen at public rallies for Israel or other issues which would cause other Jews to go public. Said Edward Felt of Princeton:

"All these phenomena point to a new Jewish vibrancy among faculty. If one were to guess at the causes, one might suspect that the loss of faith in the great "isms" of the 20th century — communism, socialism, liberalism, scientism — has opened the way for a re-examination of the possibility of religion.

Rabbi Plaut

"There is yet skepticism as to whether religion will provide answers where other ideologies have failed, but there is a willingness to examine the possibility that the dismissal of religion which constituted a central theme of modernism, was achieved too hastily and that there are sources for renewal hidden within religious and Judaic materials that might well be used by people struggling to make sense of their lives in this post-modernist age."

In addition, there are now numerous departments of Juidaic studies, and in scores of universities across North America thousands of students take their courses. No longer are Jewish studies — as for instance they once were at the University of Toronto — part of Near Eastern studies; they have gained a place of identity for themselves.

But not all is clear and simple. Where formerly it was quite clear that Jews were a minority, which caused Jewish teachers to behave with circumspection, this too is no longer so. Jews have arrived in academe.

Older Canadians will have no difficulty remembering how hard it was for a Jew to be appointed to a permanent post at a university, let alone become a full professor. Not today: Jewish faculty members abound, even as Jewish students fill the lecture halls.

How then can a Jewish professor consider himself in the minority at the University of Chicago when 40 per cent of all the teachers are Jewish? Yet at the same time, these very teachers also feel the historical pressures upon the Jewish people which, while fewer, have far from disappeared. Like so many other Jews, professors are therefore caught in the tension between being a minority on the one hand, and belonging to the majority on the other.

Nowhere is this conundrum more obvious than when it comes to the emergence of the new minorities, primarily the blacks, who consider themselves disadvantaged. On campus they look at the plenitude of Jewish teachers and see them as the ones who stand in the way of black advancement.

Thus, progress for the Jews has brought in train the perception that they are part of "oppressors" who keep minorities back. Never mind that these very Jews consider themselves a minority in many other respects — on campus that does not wash.

And the student? Says Chaim Seidler-Feller, a participant in the symposium and a director at UCLA Hillel: Students are suffering from a pronounced confusion as to their true identity. "They are the first generation of Jews to no longer be considered a minority. All of their prior education, which emphasized the very opposite, did not prepare them for this cultural and psychological shock. And so the students look to the Jewish faculty for guidance, which is not forthcoming."

He concludes by saying that both professors and students are "struggling with the impact of the modern experience on Jewish identity. Nothing less than our future survival is contingent upon a thoughtful and informed response to the challenge."

This is a subject which urgently cries out for inclusion on our public agenda.

*Rule of Two is always applicable*

## Grandmom gets what she wants; saves other for "good"

By
ERICA MEYER RAUZIN

United States President George Bush urged his countrymen to, "Read my lips." My grandmother tops him; her motto is, "Read my mind."

Now my grandmother is in her 90s; she is entitled to be irascible. Actually, she's entitled to be anything she pleases, including Chairman of World Peace, which — some years ago — was her actual committee title in her particular volunteer circle. George Bush should aim so high.

But — although Canadian TV analysts have been doing it for years — I'd rather not try to read George Bush's mind. Figuring out my grandmother is challenge enough. I adore her, always have, but I don't try to interpret. She's a natural force, like the mysterious genie that makes keys, umbrellas and stray socks disappear.

The closest I've come to developing a system for understanding my grandmother's actions is the Rule of Two, a handy axiom in many circumstances.

The Rule of Two is: Anytime you have a choice between two equal entities, you can't win.

A prime example: years and years ago my grandmother gave me two plaid skirts, one navy, one forest green. Truly delighted with the gift and hoping to show it, I immediately put on the blue plaid skirt. Her reaction (you've guessed it, so all together now): "Ah, you didn't like the green one."

Erica Meyer Rauzin

Although mothers and grandmothers of all stripes tend to invoke the Rule of Two on general matters, it is a particularly Jewish weapon in the realm of food. My friend David provided a perfect example based on his actual mother.

David arrived home hungry and his Mom told him, "Help yourself. There's a pot roast and there's some chicken." David said, "Thanks, pot roast sounds great." And Mom said (you're right), "I always thought you like my chicken." — The Rule of Two in action.

Over time, I've learned more about the Rule of Two. First, I've clearly learned that it isn't limited to my grandmother (though I think it's possible she invented it). I've also learned that people who live by The Rule of Two employ it even when it's against their own best interests.

For instance, I never send my grandmother two (or, heaven forbid, three) of anything. I send her one unit at a time (the exception is items that are intrinsically paired, such as earrings or pyjamas). And multiple gifts (say, two sweaters) leads to this Rule of Two reaction: "Thank you, dear. I'm going to use the pink one and save the blue one for good."

When, pray tell, is good?

Is it when Queen Elizabeth comes to tea?

Or just when a grandchild marries?

Or maybe Sabbath.

Answer: it's when Queen Elizabeth comes to tea.

My grandmother goes to services once a week, and to dinner once a day, and to play cards with her friends on Sunday nights. That's not a bad routine; I hope mine is as bouncy in my ninth decade, but nothing in that drill — including major holidays — is special enough to impel her to don a "good" sweater. Being set aside "for good" is an object's death sentence. It will never see the light of day again.

Now, you are equipped to apply the Rule of Two in your own life. (Warning, children should not try this without adult supervision.)

In all fairness, I should add that my grandmother doesn't pull this on me anymore (well not often). And, when I send her four library books or three pictures of my children, I don't ask which one she likes best . . . and she doesn't tell me. We're the best of friends. This is because I am her grandchild, not her child.

As the originator of the Rule of Two, my grandmother had two children: my mother and my aunt, both intelligent, capable grown women who dote on their mother as she dotes on them. They visit her frequently and talk on the phone almost daily.

Fortunately, the two sisters also talk to each other. Otherwise, they might get upset at my grandmother's consummate technique. Just watch this last demonstration:

She phones either my mom or my aunt. In a voice *kvelling* with emotion, she recounts some affectionate anecdote, sighs happily, and proclaims, "Your sister is such a good daughter."

The Rule of Two strikes again.

# Features

## Relics of another age

# *The cradle of Swiss Jewry*

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Tucked into the verdant folds of northern Switzerland, near Germany's Black Forest, lies the somnolent and unique village of Endingen.

Endingen has a synagogue, but no church, a state of affairs that is magnified by the fact that Endingen's Jewish community has practically disappeared.

From the 17th to the 19th centuries, Endingen and its sister village, Lengnau, were the only recognized places of permanent Jewish settlement in Switzerland.

Endingen and Lengnau — which are suburbs of Zurich — were in effect Swiss shtetlach. But once the Jews of Endingen and Lengnau obtained full rights of citizenship in 1878, they gradually drifted to other parts of Switzerland, draining the towns of their Jewish vitality.

The emancipation of the Jews of Switzerland, therefore, spelled finis to Endingen's and Lengnau's Jewish communities, which are usually referred to as "the cradle of Swiss Jewry." As Jews moved out, Christians moved in, changing the character of the villages.

A century ago, when Endingen and Lengnau were home to about 1,000 Jews, a visitor might have been impressed by the nature of Jewish life in this tranquil corner of Switzerland. Endingen and Lengnau, though in close proximity, had their own synagogues and shared a Jewish school and a ritual bath.

But for some strange reason, which no one has quite figured out to this day, the two communities were torn by a kind of foolish rivalry that resulted in the construction of two separate gates at each end of the cemetery they deigned to share. It would have been unimaginable for a mourner from Endingen to enter the cemetery through the Lengnau gate.

Today, a Canadian visitor finds remarkably scant evidence of vibrant Yiddishkeit in Endingen or Lengnau, which are in the canton of Aargau.

In 1983, death claimed the last Jewish resident of Lengnau, Jacob Oppenheim. Now the sole flickering light of Jewishness in Lengnau burns at the Jewish old age home, which was founded in 1903. A handful of its 41 residents, ranging in age from 73 to 96, were born in Lengnau, according to the administrators, Eliahu and Tamara Blum, veterans of Kibbutz Tirat Tsvi in the Jordan Valley.

The president of the old age home, Josef Bollag, a lawyer from the nearby spa town of Baden, says his family lived in Lengnau until the mid-19th century. The Bollags, he explains, settled in Switzerland 13 generations ago, having emigrated from southern Germany. Together with the Guggenheims, the Brandeis' and the Wilders (which produced film director Billy Wilder), they are among the oldest Jewish families in the country.

Down the road a bit, in Endingen, there are four Jewish families — Max Bloch, his brother Jules, their sister Margrit and their mother Fanny. Pablo Ashkenazi, a Chilean Jew married to a Swiss national, rounds off the Jewish contingent in Endingen. Max Bloch, who at 40 seems to be the guiding spirit of Endingen's rump Jewish community, is a banker. He is manager of the United Mizrachi Bank in Zurich.

Bloch's ancestors are "Mayflower" Jews, having arrived in Endingen around the 18th century. Long before they appeared on the scene, Jews had carved out a niche for themselves in Switzerland, which this year marks the 700th anniversary of the Swiss Confederation.

But as the tide of intolerance swept through Switzerland in the Middle Ages, Jews were persecuted, killed and expelled. Only in Aargau, which was a Swiss protectorate until the 19th century, were Jews tolerated as permanent inhabitants.

Granted freedom of residence and movement, but not citizenship, the Jews of Endingen and Lengnau were legally stateless. They were allowed to engage in cattle trading (which the Bollags, for example, practised until quite recently), peddling and real estate brokerage. They communicated with each other in a Yiddish dialect peculiar to the district.

The Jewish cemetery, which is halfway between the two villages, was acquired in the mid-18th century. Before that, Jews were buried on a small island on the Rhine River known as the *Judeninsel*. Not surprisingly, the oldest gravestones are from the *Judeninsel*. They were brought to the cemetery in 1954.

The cemetery is competently maintained, but more than a few headstones are badly weathered, mossy and lean crazily toward the ground. Two or three have edged into the trunks of mature shade trees. Six months ago, vandals defaced some gravestones with swastikas and anti-Jewish graffiti.

Rebuilt in 1852 and renovated in 1986, Endingen's white stucco synagogue is distinguished by an unJewish belfry and bells. The key to the synagogue ends in the number five, designating the five books of Moses.

Endingen's last serving rabbi left in 1952, but nowadays services are held on the High Holidays and conducted by a Zurich rabbi, attracting Jews from the entire area. Earlier this month, the synagogue was the site of an official government ceremony marking 700 years of Swiss independence.

By contrast, Lengnau's beige-and-pink synagogue sits unused — the hazards of falling masonry keeping potential congregants away.

Interestingly enough, a symbol of the intolerant past can still be glimpsed in Endingen and Lengnau — the double doors on old homes signifying the separate entrances for Jews and Christians.

The old mikveh and Jewish school in Endingen still stand, but they are ghosts of their former selves.

In the Diaspora, Endingen and Lengnau are relics of another age.

**Max Bloch (left) and Eliahu Blum in the Jewish cemetery shared by Endingen and Lengnau. [Sheldon Kirshner photo]**

## The Jewish World

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

In a horrific scene that might have woven into the fabric of one of his quirky, graphic stories, Jerzy Kosinski was recently found dead in his half-filled bathtub, a plastic shopping bag twisted around his head. He had committed suicide. He was 57. His wife said he had been despondent over a serious heart condition that had made it increasingly difficult for him to write.

And since writing appeared to be Kosinski's raison d'etre, he presumably saw no valid reason for going on when his deteriorating health was robbing him of his innate ability to create wonders with words.

Kosinski was a Polish Jew, a Holocaust survivor, whose greatest novel, *The Painted Bird*, turned on the nightmarish peregrinations of a young boy in the Polish countryside during the Second World War.

*The Painted Bird*, he told me in an interview in Toronto two and a half years ago, was the result of "a slow unfreezing of a mind gripped by fear." In 1942, when Lodz was occupied by the Germans, Kosinski's parents, a philologist and a concert pianist, placed Jerzy with a peasant woman. She summarily abandoned him, forcing Jerzy to fend for himself in an exceedingly hostile environment for Jews. He wandered from village to village, sustaining himself by virtue of his wit. He was humiliated, beaten, starved and brutalized. He lost his powers of speech which, he said, he regained in a skiing accident after the war.

### Jerzy Kosinski was a vivid writer

*The Painted Bird*, which was published in 1965, was not only a classic of Holocaust literature, but a brooding and disturbing commentary on the mercurial nature of mankind. Filled with strange and curious characters coping with highly unusual, grotesque and seemingly impossible situations, it was, for all intents and purposes, a thinly-disguised and far from sanitized account of Kosinski's struggle to survive. (Kosinski claimed that his parents lived through the Holocaust unharmed, posing as German "tourists" in Poland, because "they looked like Aryans.")

Although *The Painted Bird* was hailed by critics, the Polish government was not enamored of it, saying it was a slur on Poles and Poland. In an orchestrated media campaign, Kosinski was assailed as a "tool of Zionism" and a "rootless cosmopolitan." Kosinski, who had emigrated from Poland in 1957, did not set foot again in his ancestral home until 1987, when he visited in his capacity as chairman of the American Foundation of Polish-Jewish Studies. Despite describing himself as a "post Pole," Kosinski was deeply attached to and appreciative of Polish culture. When I talked with him on the occasion of his visit to Toronto for the International Authors Festival, he spoke movingly of the Polish-Jewish symbiosis.

Kosinski, who is survived by a stepbrother in Poland and his wife Kiki in New York City, was a wiry figure, with a bird-like torso, unusually long legs and a strong, animated face. He was a marvellous, excitable conversationalist, his words gushing out like an unstoppable torrent.

Like Joseph Conrad, the novelist of Polish ancestry, Kosinski learned English as an adult, perfecting his command of his second language by watching movies and reading books. "English," he mused, "offered me a sense of revelation, of fulfilment and abandonment."

Kosinski, a sociologist and historian with fine prospects as an academic, had no formal training as a novelist. But he diligently applied himself to his craft, working as a parking-lot attendant, fashion photographer and cinema projectionist to support his foray into writing, his foremost passion.

There is no doubt that he succeeded. Kosinski was a distinguished writer with a vivid imagination and a deft touch. Among his best-known books, apart from *The Painted Bird*, were *Being There*, *The Devil Tree*, *Blind Date* and *Cockpit*.

It is regrettable and tragic that he could not cope with his declining health. Jerzy Kosinski had many good years left.

# Czech Jews struggle for vitality

By
JOSEF KLANSKY

Less than 18 months after the fall of the Communist dictatorship in November 1989, Czechoslovak Jewry is struggling to restore a semblance of the vitality it last knew over a half century ago.

This devastated community in the heart of Eastern Europe is making strenuous efforts to rise from the ashes, to revive its traditional institutions, while at the same time creating new ones to meet the uncertain demands of the future.

The Jewish life that flourished in Prague between the two world wars was crushed by the Nazis in 1939, and only tiny remnants of the community survived the Holocaust. The community was further depleted by emigration and flight in 1945, in 1948 after the Communist takeover, and again in 1968 after the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia.

Under Communist rule, religious communities were barely tolerated. Any activities outside those strictly defined for religious cults were forbidden.

Even Purim and Chanukah gatherings at the ancient Jewish Town Hall of Prague were held under the sharp surveillance of the anti-Zionist division of the secret police.

The police kept also kept watch on the Jewish community from within. Among the top ranks of its leadership were informers who were appointed — or whose appointments were approved — by the communist authorities.

After the communists were toppled, the changes taking place in the public life of the country were echoed in the Prague Jewish community.

Its new leadership sought to overcome the oppressive heritage of the recent past.

A new constitution was drafted, replacing the former Council of Jewish communities with a Federation of Jewish Communities of the Czech Republic.

Tragically, one of the new constitution's leading architects and the president of the community, Dr. Desider Galsky, died in an automobile accident last November only days before the new constitution was adopted.

Among the organizations and societies connected with Judaism that were founded or revived during the past year is the Czech Society of Jewish Culture. The society, based in the world- famous Jewish Museum of Prague, organizes lectures, expositions and discussions dealing with literature, the creative arts, traditions and the Czech-Jewish common cultural heritage.

Other newly revived organizations include the Franz Kafka Association, which commemorates the work of the Prague-born Jew, and the Czechoslovak Society of Friends of Israel, which aims at filling the information gap created by scores of years of anti-Israeli propaganda and disinformation.

A Union of Czechoslovak Jewish Youth was founded at a meeting of about 60 young people last November, sponsored by the European Jewish Students Union. It plans to organize Jewish youth gatherings in the future.

Representatives from several Czech and Slovak cities revived the Czechoslovak Maccabi Sport Club last Dec. 1.

The sports club hopes to restore the rich traditions of Jewish sports in pre-war Czechoslovakia represented by such famous clubs as haGibor in Prague, Maccabi in Brno and Bar Kochva in Bratislava.

B'nai Brith, which before the Nazi occupation had 17 lodges in Czechoslovakia, will soon inaugurate its Renaissance Lodge in Prague, where the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith will resume its activities here. — *JTA*

# 50 Years Ago

*HITLER PUTS BLAME ON JEWS*
**ZURICH, May 4, 1941 (JTA) —**

In a long speech before his puppet Reichstag, Adolf Hitler bitterly assailed the Jews, blaming them first for the outbreak of the war, then for Britain's rejection of his "peace" proposals after the collapse of France, and finally, for trying to depict his European order as a German hegemony.

Early in his speech, the Nazi leader went back to the period leading to the outbreak of the war and described his efforts to reach a pacific settlement with Poland. These efforts, he asserted, were thwarted by the British with their "Jewish and democratic conspirators."

After France collapsed, he said, "I made my appeal for peace to England, but those who wanted war did not want peace. Those Jewish-democratic capitalists who had invested their capital in war production wanted to profiteer and get their interest and amortization."

Describing the new Nazi European system, Hitler declared: "Only the capitalistic brains of the Jewish democracies could see a German hegemony in our economic exchanges. There were no conquerors and conquered in those deals."

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*ROMANIANS TO ENFORCE ANTI-JEWISH POLICY*
**ZURICH, May 4, 1941 (JTA) —**

Creation of a central body to control Romania's economic and financial life, having broad powers relating to execution of the Antonescu Government's anti-Jewish policy, was announced over the Bucharest radio.

The new body will be known as the "Centre of Romanization." While it is charged with regulation of the nation's economic structure, one of the centre's first responsibilities will be to deal with all matters connected with expropriation of Jews and their replacement in industrial and commercial enterprises. The Jews were largely responsible for developing the nation's industrial and commercial life.

The centre will shortly issue a series of decrees putting into effect the Antonescu regime's anti-Semitism legislation, it was stated.

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*PERSECUTION TOLD BY EYEWITNESSES*
**NEW YORK, May 13, 1941 (JTA) —**

Persecution of rabbis and profanation of Jewish ritual objects is more brutal in Nazi-occupied Poland than it was in Germany, according to a survey of German persecution of religious life in Poland released here by the Polish Information Centre.

"Many synagogues have been burned, many converted into stables, motion pictures or brothels," the survey said. "Numerous houses of prayer and rabbinical schools have been closed; many rabbis murdered."

According to an eyewitness report, in Szczucin on Yom Kippur, Nazi elite guards armed with revolvers and machine-guns evicted Jews from the local synagogue, tore the prayer shawls from them and threw out the sacred scrolls and prayer books.

Silver and gold vessels were seized. The other articles were piled up and the Jews, whipped and hit with butt-ends, were forced to dance around the heap. Aged Jews, ordered to set fire to the heap, refused and were beaten, kicked and spat upon. Dresses were torn off young girls and they were forced to run nude around the market place. Finally the Germans set fire to the pile and to the synagogue, which was destroyed within an hour.

In Tuchow, the synagogue was burned, the 70-year-old keeper was hanged and the sacred scrolls torn to pieces and thrown into rubbish holes. In Wengrow, Rabbi Morgenstern was tortured before all the Jews assembled in the market place. He was whipped and then a knife was slowly pushed into his body until he died.

In Nowe Miasto, during a pogrom Nazis raided a small Chassidic prayer house, grabbed seven old men, dragged them to the market place and threw them together with the holy scrolls into a burning pile of faggots.

In Mielec, a number of Jews were locked in a synagogue, which was then set afire and an estimated 50 persons burned alive. Similar burnings of synagogues with the congregants within occurred in Dynow, Frysztat, Myslenice, Sosnowiec, Rzeszow, Krosno, Sanok Lancut, Jaroslaw, Przeworsk, Przemysl, Grodek Jagiellonski, Lublin, Zamosc and Krasnystaw.


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## Soviet Jewry

# *Computer firm organizes training program for Soviets*

By
NECHEMIA MEYERS

**REHOVOT —**

There are 24 very happy Russian immigrants at the Sapiens Software Company in Nes Ziona, south of Tel Aviv.

This is because Sapiens — in co-operation with the government, the Joint Distribution Committee, the Jewish Agency and the Africa-Israel Investment Company — has organized a four-month training course for them, at the end of which they are assured of jobs at Sapiens or with one of the many Israeli bodies which use its software.

Initiator of this course is Dr. Yossie Bolles, director-general of Sapiens, who firmly believes that "jobs are more important than anything else to the immigrants. If there is no alternative they will be willing to live in tents so long as they are employed, preferably, but not necessarily, in their fields of expertise."

Sapiens — which has developed a variety of unique software packages to substantially speed up management procedures for banks, airlines, government agencies, academic institutions and other bodies all over the world — has been taking in Russian immigrants for several years. By now, indeed, they make up 15 per cent of the company's research and development unit.

Bolles, however, felt that this was not enough, that Sapiens should do more to foster immigrant absorption. This is why he decided on the course.

Initially, at least, it was a real gamble, for when the screening of applicants began, Uri Offel, coordinator of the course, didn't actually have more than a handful of job offers, nor did he know how the course would be financed. Yet Sapiens went ahead anyway.

Fortunately, the company's gamble has paid off. The government, the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency are covering two-thirds of the cost of the course, and there are now almost enough employment opportunities for all 24 trainees.

**Sapiens course for Russian immigrants.**

They are a very impressive group.

Evegeny Bloch, for example, was the youngest professor on the staff of the Moscow Institute of Construction Engineering. Needless to say, Bloch had hoped to obtain an academic post in Israel too. But since none was available and he had a good computer background, he applied for the Sapiens course.

"Eventually," says Bloch, "I may be able to return to construction engineering, thanks to the current building boom in this country. Until that time, however, I'll be pleased to work in computing, wherever a job is available."

Some of the participants frankly admit that they came to Israel because the situation in the Soviet Union had become unbearable and there was no way to get into the United States. But there are also a number of real Zionists, including former Refusenik Elizabeth Biali.

Though Biali was an experienced programmer in the Soviet Union, she still had a lot to learn here because Russian computers and software are, she says, 15 years behind those in the West, including Israel. Now, as the course draws to a close, she feels that she has almost reached a "Western level."

This is confirmed by Shlomit Zak, a veteran Sapiens employee who runs the professional side of the program. She finds the Russians "extraordinarily diligent." They work until at least 5 p.m. and often stay later.

Not only must they master new computer techniques, but also new languages. This is because all their lectures are in Hebrew and all their computer literature in English. Only over lunch can they relax and revert to Russian.

The first course has been such a success that a second has already been decided upon and, no less important, a number of other Israeli companies have announced their intention of following in the footsteps of Sapiens.

# Jews barred from selling homes

By
BEN ROSE

**TORONTO —**

Jews in three Muslim republics of the Soviet Union are not being allowed to sell their homes and apartments if they apply for exit visas to Israel, according to Leonid Stonov, a former Refusenik leader.

He has just returned from visits to the cities of Samarkand and Tashkent and to other locations in the republics of Uzbekistan, Tadgekistan and Kazikhastan.

Now a resident of Chicago, Stonov was in Toronto at the request of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society to testify at an immigration inquiry hearing an application from a Moscow composer, Efim Adler, his wife, Nadya, two sons, Michael, 21, Sergei, 24, and his mother-in-law, Marian Shleifer, to be allowed to stay in Canada.

Stonov said "state anti-Semitism" is so dangerous in the Soviet Union that the Adler family should not have to go back there.

The regulations which prevent Jews from selling their properties in the three republics are not published, Stonov told The CJN, but lawyers and court officials know them and enforce them.

Despite knowledge of the unhealthy state of the Israeli economy, Jews in the Soviet Union are still anxious to go there because of the level of anti-Semitism they are facing, he said.

There are still 90 political prisoners and 650 long-term Refusenik families in the Soviet Union, said Stonov, giving a pessimistic report on human rights in the country.

A new immigration act, years in the making, has two extremely negative features, he said. One would prevent anyone in the age group 16-28, liable for military service, from leaving the Soviet Union. Another would allow special committees to extend the five-year limit on an emigration ban because of so-called secret work. "There would be no ceiling on how long this ban could be extended."

A very worrisome development, according to Stonov, is the "criminalization of Jewish life," under which Jews are being harassed with bogus currency charges. Another is evidence that the KGB is trying to use Jewish cultural centres in places outside the big cities against the better interests of the Jewish community.

A guest of Genya Intrator, a local Soviet Jewish activist, Stonov spoke at a Shabbat service at Beth Tikvah Synagogue. He and his family were adopted by the synagogue when they were still Refuseniks.


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# World

## May include nuclear arms

# *Weapons curbs considered*

**WASHINGTON (JTA)**

The White House has confirmed news reports that the United States and its key allies are exploring possible new weapons curbs in the Middle East.

But it would not say whether an Israeli nuclear weapons ban is under consideration.

"We are a long way from a decision and a plan," was about all presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater would say last week.

At a 15-minute news conference May 14, President Bush confirmed his administration is working on the problem of arms control but said he was not ready to provide any details.

"There are all kinds of options out there," Bush added. "There's a lot of sympathy for the idea of trying to get control of weapons."

According to a report May 14 in *The New York Times*, a proposal being floated by the administration would ban Israel from producing material for nuclear weapons and would require Arab nations to give up their chemical weapons.

The proposal also would require all Middle East nations to relinquish ballistic missiles with a range of more than 90 miles.

A pro-Israel lobbyist dismissed the possibility that either the Arabs or Israel would agree to such a plan, because "there's just no level of trust yet in the region."

The Israeli Embassy had no official reaction to the report, citing the absence of any formal U.S. arms proposal.

Bruce Williams, a Washington consultant who was military attache at the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv from 1975 to 1980, said the United States should strive for arms limitations in the Middle East that are "equally taken across the board."

Williams said the curbs should also be supported by arms-supplying countries around the globe, especially the European nations and the Soviet Union.

He added that he does not expect the Arab nations to agree to forego nuclear weapons if Israel is allowed to retain any weapons it may have. Similarly, he said Israel would not agree to any nuclear curbs without a peace treaty between it and the Arab countries with whom it is still technically in a state of war.

If anything has changed on the arms front in recent days, Williams said, it is that Saudi Arabia has "enhanced its image" in Congress for a possible arms package by deciding to send an observer to the proposed Middle East regional peace conference through its membership in the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council.

But the pro-Israel lobbyist played down the significance of the Saudi move. "I don't think that Congress is jumping up and down and saying that this is wonderful," he said.

**NEO-NAZI GATHERING**

**Police arrest a young neo-Nazi skinhead in Magdeburg, Germany on April 20. Around 100 neo-Nazis celebrated Adolf Hitler's birthday shouting xenophobic slogans. Forty-two were arrested. [RNS Photo/Reuters]**

# Roman Catholic clergy reverses its position on church-state issue

**NEW YORK (JTA) —**

Poland's Roman Catholic primate and bishops have done an about-face on their recent controversial demand to do away with the country's official separation of church and state.

The bishops' push to make Catholicism, in effect, the state religion had caused some concern among American Jewish observers of the Eastern European scene, not only for what it might have meant for Poland's tiny minority of fewer than 10,000 Jews, but also because of the precedent it might have set for other Eastern European nations contemplating such a move.

The bishops stated May 2 that they "proclaim themselves in favor of both the autonomy of state and church, and of their cooperation in the service of the same human person."

***Idea floated year ago***

And in a sermon broadcast nationally May 12 to Poland's 38 million citizens, over 95 per cent of whom are Catholic, Cardinal Jozef Glemp said, "The church and state stand on different levels, should be independent from each other, but somehow bound to co-operate for the benefit of man. If such autonomy is called separation, that is acceptable."

The bishops' statement came just days after they had recommended that the Polish parliament consider tearing down the official barrier between church and state. The idea had also been floated a year ago, months before the first democratic parliamentary elections took place last December, according to reports from Bronislaw Geremek, leader of the Solidarity bloc in the Polish parliament.

"We're glad that they've issued this statement, and that Glemp has announced this," said George Spectre, director of political education at B'nai B'rith International. "Maintaining the separation reflects the will of the Polish people themselves."

But Spectre said B'nai B'rith is seeking further clarification from the church as to what "the benefit of man" means.


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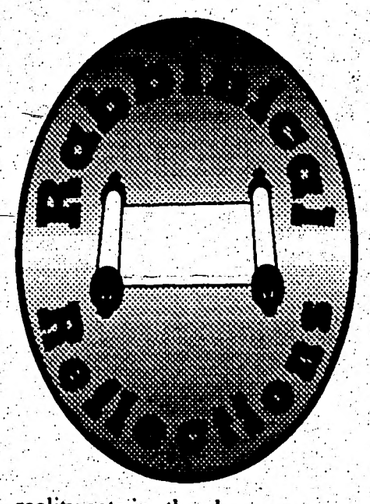


Over the years I have often heard the following phrase, "I have done my share. I have done enough."

I have heard these sentiments usually from people who truly have done important work for the community. But they use these expressions very often to establish a boundary that justifies their withdrawal from the fray.

But what is our share? What is enough? Is it enough that there has been revealed in us a sense of compassion for others? Is it enough that we have achievements to our credit beyond what the average person has to his? What about our potential? Is it not possible that our potential might be beyond what others might achieve?

These thoughts have come to my mind upon reading an article by a student leader of a New England university.

He described a beautiful program upon which he and his student colleagues had embarked. It was the creation of a Sunday night Kosher soup kitchen for the homeless. The kosher part had to do with the sponsorship. In actual fact it was open to all homeless, the vast majority of whom were not even Jewish.

The article describes the enthusiasm of the beginnings, the decision not merely to serve food, but to talk with the homeless, to dialogue with them.

Then, gradually, as the stark reality sets in, they become aware that even their best intentions do not in any way affect the real situation of their clientele. In fact, the stories they hear are of lost jobs, lost homes, lost friends and a spirit of defeatism that boggles the imagination.

For some of the students, this reality was much too stark. They debated whether or not to close the project. One argument was that their goodwill did not improve the overall situation of the homeless by even one iota.

The second argument was that the soup kitchen was a form of covering up their real condition. A third argument was that they were merely stroking their own egos at the expense of someone else's suffering.

Gradually, however, other voices prevailed. When all was said and done at least they had one more bowl of soup than they would otherwise have had. What about the view of the Jewish tradition? After all, did not the Prophet Isaiah say "Is not this the fast I have chosen, to give thy bread to the hungry and that thou bring the homeless to thy house?"

The author then goes on to say that his arguments finally prevailed, but the question still remains how to deal with the frustration that they experience everyday.

It was a heart-breaking lesson to learn, as all of them have been learning, that this world will remain imperfect no matter what we do. However, that does not mean that we have to accept it and allow it to remain so.

The dilemma the students faced for the first time is experienced at all times by all who have made the ideal of service the goal of their lives. The great social problems of the world cannot be resolved in anyone's lifetime. They can only be ameliorated.

Is it worth all the effort and the agony merely to ameliorate a problem? The Jewish religion says, yes! It is worth the effort. In fact, that is precisely why we were created.

The Book of Ecclesiastes puts it this way. "In the morning plant thy seed and even at even tide (of life) let not your hand be removed."

The Ethics of the Fathers, however, really has the last word on this subject. "It is not thy duty to complete the work, but neither art thou free to desist from it."

*(Rabbi Wilfred Shuchat is spiritual leader of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim.)*

*Prestigious Israel Prize presented*

# Yeshivot hesder gets award

**MONTREAL** — The Yeshivot hesder were collectively awarded the prestigious Israel Prize, an Israeli equivalent of the Nobel Prize in which prizes are presented in such various categories as Art, Exact Sciences, Judaic Science, Law and Literature every year on Yom Ha'atzmaut.

The Yeshivat hesder were awarded the Israel Prize in the category of Special Contribution to Israeli Society and the State.

This award was presented by the president of Israel, Chaim Herzog, during a ceremony which was held in the Jerusalem Theatre. Also present during the ceremony were Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, the chairman of the Knesset, Dov Shilansky, the president of the Supreme Court, Judge Mair Shamgar, as well as most of the ministers and members of parliament, judges, and the general public.

Hesder (arrangement) Yeshivot is a collective name for Israel's unique network of 14 institutions catering to in excess of 4,550 students scattered throughout Israel.

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The students make indispensable contributions to the communities in which their yeshiva are situated. They successfully build bridges with the general public in Israel.

The decision to award the Israel Prize to the Yeshivat hesder is worthy of special mention. It is a token of appreciation of one of the important Torah enterprises in Israel, combining Torah study with sharing the burdens of security and defence of the State of Israel.

Accepting this impressive prize for the 14 yeshivot was Rabbi C. Y. Goldwicht, Rosh Yeshiva (Dean) of Kerem B'Yavneh.

The Yeshivot hesder represent one of the great innovations in Israeli life, on a par with the re-establishment of Israel's sovereignty in the promised land.

The hesder students sanctify the Holy Name by their devotion to the study of Torah and their commitment to the defence of Israel which, combined into one entity, expresses their philosophy of a Torah-true way of life.

A new spirit emanates from the Yeshivot hesder — a spirit of Torah, of faith, of self-sacrifice that knows no limits, both with regard to relations between man and his fellow-man as well as between the citizens and their country.

The award of the Israel Prize is an expression of appreciation of the importance of this educational enterprise which is making an invaluable contribution to the dissemination of Torah in Israel.

# *Agricultural minister's decision welcomed as kosher meat escapes slaughtering label*

**LONDON (JTA)** — Jewish groups have expressed satisfaction that the Agriculture Ministry has rejected proposals by animal rights groups to label meat produced by kosher slaughtering methods to be sold to the non-kosher market.

The fear is that if meat were labeled, some non-kosher retailers would refuse to stock it, causing economic difficulty for the kosher trade, explained Berel Berkovits, a dayan, or religious court judge, of the Federation of Synagogues.

Therefore, the Agriculture Ministry's decision is "good news."

"They didn't see that labeling would bring any benefits, either in terms of animal welfare or consumer needs," Berkovits said.

But the federation, which monitors new shechita regulations, is seriously concerned that other restrictive measures, including a similar labeling proposal, could be adopted by the European Community, making it binding on Britain.

The Conference of European Rabbis has been waging an ongoing struggle to preserve the right to slaughter animals according to kashrut laws.

A Council of Europe decision to drop all proposed measures to ban or restrict shechita was reported in Jerusalem last month by Rabbi Avraham Guigui of Brussels, who represents the rabbinical conference on shechita issues.

Berkovits said he "heard that the council was going to drop the proposal, but I've yet to have it officially confirmed."

The council, which includes the 12 EC states plus Switzerland and the Scandinavian countries, can only recommend policies, whereas EC decisions are binding on all members.

The EC is proposing that animals killed after slaughter should not be moved for 30 seconds or until cessation of brain stem reflexes.

"This would cause practical problems, because it would slow up shechita," Berkovits said.

He claimed it was also "misguided," because it implies the animals feel pain until brain death, whereas they are already unconscious, he said.

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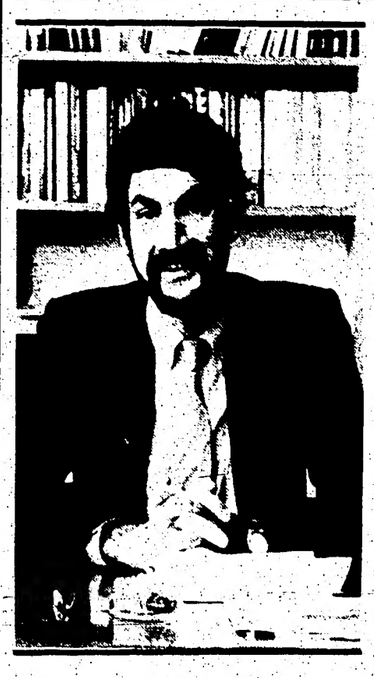

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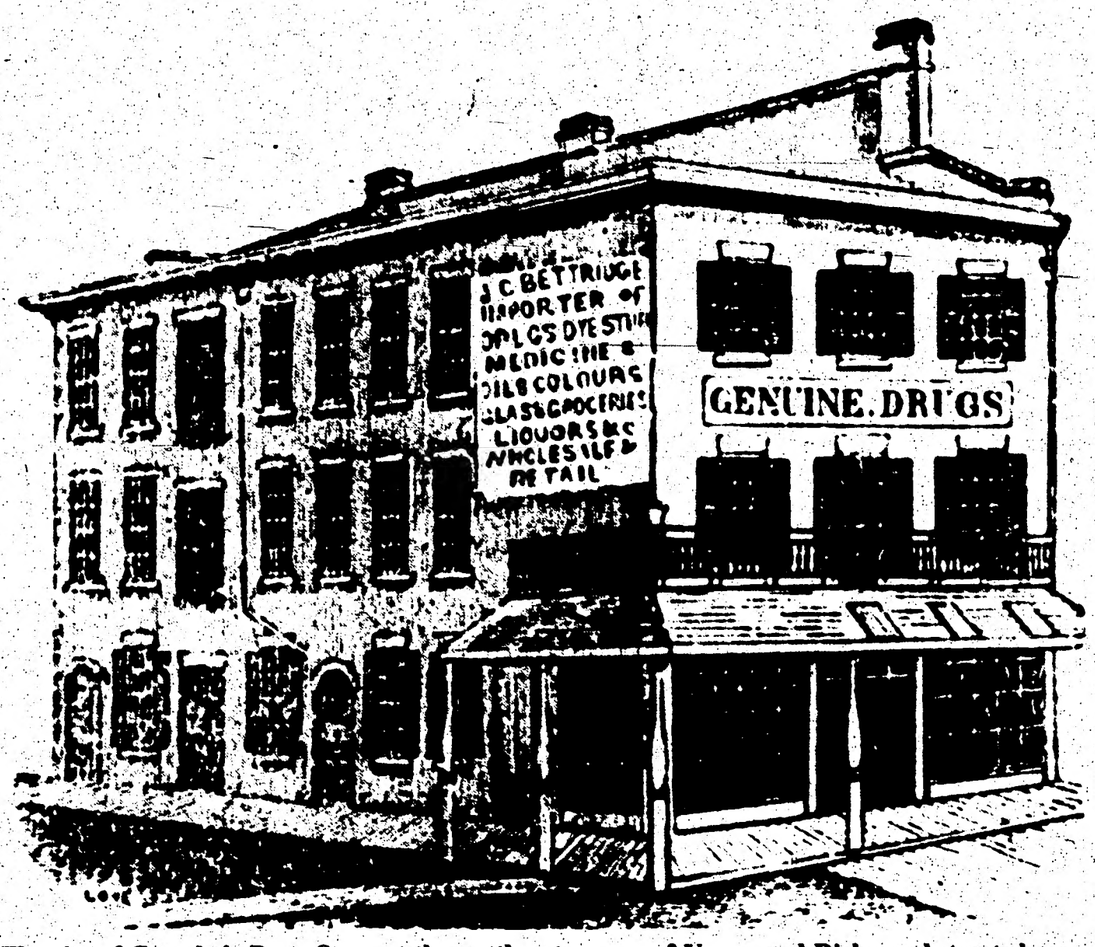
# Organizations and People




**The site of Coombe's Drug Store at the southeast corner of Yonge and Richmond streets became the first home of Holy Blossom Temple in 1856. [Photo courtesy of Toronto Historical Board]**

# *Holy Blossom marks first site*

**TORONTO —**

The Toronto Historical Board recently unveiled a plaque marking the original site 135 years ago of the first Jewish congregation in Canada West — now Ontario — which evolved into today's Holy Blossom Temple.

The marker will soon be affixed to the north side of the recently completed First City Building at the southeast corner of Yonge and Richmond Streets in the heart of what is now Canada's financial district.

The unveiling attracted some 100 Holy Blossom congregants and history buffs. Among them were members of the Draimin family, who have belonged to the shul for five generations.

They were addressed by Counc. Howard Levine, representing Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton, David Eckler of the Toronto Historical Board, shul president Nancy Ruth and senior Holy Blossom Rabbi Dow Marmur.

Comparing the occasion to that in the Book of Joshua where the tribes of Israel erected stones to mark their crossing of the Jordan River, Rabbi Marmur spoke of the first Jewish pioneers who sought a home and a place to teach Torah.

In 1856, a few families from Quebec, Britain, the United States and Germany formed the Toronto Hebrew Congregation-Sons of Israel, an Orthodox congregation. Regular services were held in the third floor over Coombe's Drug Store.

Two years later, this group acquired a Jewish cemetery site near Gerrard and Pape, then on the city's eastern outskirts, which had been consecrated by an earlier Jewish group in 1849.

In 1871 the shul began to use the name Toronto Hebrew Congregation-Holy Blossom.

Services continued in the rental hall until 1876, when a permanent building was dedicated at 25-29 Richmond St. E.

In 1897, the growing congregation moved to a larger neo-Byzantine edifice at 115 Bond St., now a Greek Orthodox church.

Gradually changing its denominational character, in 1920 the shul officially affiliated with the Reform movement.

Over time, members moved away from downtown. In 1938, the congregation's present temple was dedicated at 1950 Bathurst St. in the City of York. That building was modelled after the fashionable Temple Emanuel on New York's Fifth Avenue, which had been built eight years earlier.

## Brain fluid cloned in rats

**JERUSALEM —**

A team of researchers from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the California Institute of Technology and the Roche Institute of Molecular Biology has succeeded in, for the first time, cloning a major transporter in the brains of rats.

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*Resident opposed to nearby homes*

# Associated plans threatened

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
Officials are hoping that plans for the Thornhill campus of Associated Hebrew Schools don't fall apart before a July 1 deadline.

Associated announced the plans for the $10 million elementary school, on Atkinson Avenue at Rosedale Heights Drive, last month. The campus would replace the portables adjacent to the Promenade shopping centre and is scheduled to open in September, 1993.

But at least one resident on Roseborough Crescent, just west of the site, is worried about plans to build nine homes on the same lot as the school.

The resident, Mark Goldberg, told Vaughan's planning committee last week he fears the shadow cast by one of the planned homes will fall on his house, decreasing dramatically the amount of light it now gets.

Goldberg joined Charles Zaionz, who represented Toronto Jewish Congress, Lou Greenbaum, chairman of the building committee of the new campus and Associated executive director Arthur Tanenbaum at the city hall meeting to present concerns.

Vaughan approved the enactment of a bylaw that will divide the lot — one acre for nine new homes and four acres for the 100,000-foot Associated branch.

The committee said it will take Goldberg's concerns into account by trying to minimize shadows cast by the new homes.

Roseborough Crescent resident Berney Silverberg said he fully supports the new Associated campus but added he would like a buffer created between the school and the nearest property line.

The entire lot is controlled by the Rose Corp., which agreed to a July 1 deadline for final settlement of plans with Toronto Jewish Congress. TJC found and secured the land for Associated.

Vaughan council's stamp of approval, expected this week, must still go to York Region's planning committee, which has final say.

The parties involved are hoping that the controversy over the shadows and other concerns don't hold up proceedings past the deadline.

Zaionz told The CJN he expects everything to be wrapped up by July 1, but did not discount the possibility that the deal — including plans for the Associated campus — could be scrubbed if the deadline is not met.

Greenbaum confirmed that all agreements between the Rose Corp. and TJC must be satisfied by July 1.

# *Possible court changes fail to move Congress*

TORONTO —
The Ontario region of Canadian Jewish Congress says it is "not overly exercised" by Queens Park's announcement last week that it will reconsider the court room practice of swearing on the Bible.

Attorney-General Howard Hampton said his department has received "sporadic" complaints from religious communities, but that these are being treated seriously.

Witnesses have always had the option of swearing an oath on the Bible, on another religious book or affirming to tell the truth — essentially, a secular oath.

But the problem, Hampton said, is insensitivity in the courts, which don't take the time to inquire which book is to be used. He said courts present the Bible immediately as the only sacred text on which to swear to tell the truth.

Hampton said not all courts have all the religious texts required.

Manuel Prutschi of CJC's community relations department said Congress is standing by an old policy, presented to former Attorney-General Ian Scott, that the right to affirm be put to a witness at the same time as the biblical oath.

"The right to affirm has always existed. We would like to see witnesses be told they also have that right," Prutschi said.

Besides, he added, it is the practice in Judaism not to take oaths.

— R.C.

**REHEARSAL**

**The Ne'imot Singers and the Jerusalem Dancers prepare for their gala concert on May 26 at 8 p.m. at Earl Haig Secondary School. The Ne'imot Singers, under the direction of Doron Ophir, perform unique arrangements of Hebrew, English and Ladino songs. The Jerusalem Dancers, directed and choregraphed by Rivka Atzmony, perform the rich and distinct styles of the many nationalities of Jews. Tickets are $10, and can be purchased at Israel's Judaica Centre and at the door. For more information call 782-7006.**

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# Organizations and People

# What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

## DEADLINE REMINDER

**Please remember that the deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, May 23, is the deadline for the June 6 issue and Thursday, May 30, is the deadline for the June 13 issue).**

**I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail. The phone number is 422-2331.**

## Thursday, May 23

### YOUTH ALIYAH LUNCHEON

Toronto Hadassah-WIZO's Youth Aliyah luncheon is taking place Thursday, May 23, at 12:30 p.m. at Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W.

Special guest is noted actress **Liv Ullman**, who uses her celebrity status and skills as a communicator to work for peace and to speak out for the rights of underprivileged mothers and children.

## Friday, May 24

### HAPPY MUSICAL AFTERNOON

A musical afternoon featuring concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will be held at Cheltenham Nursing Home, 5935 Bathurst St., on Friday, May 24, from 2-3 p.m. The program will include Jewish and semi-classical music.

## Saturday, May 25

### BROADWAY BABIES

The Clarke's Relatives and Friends of Schizophrenics program presents its third annual fund raising cabaret, Broadway Babies, with performers **Joanne Blake, Isabel Hornstein, Sandi Horwitz** and **Gail Klebanoff** on Saturday, May 25, at 8 p.m. at Aldwyn B. Stokes Auditorium, 250 College St. (use Spadina entrance).

Tickets are $10. All proceeds go to the Relatives and Friends Mental Health Education and Research Fund for Schizophrenics. For information and tickets, call **Rose Millstone** at 498-8719.

## Sunday, May 26

### ADVOCACY FOR SYRIAN JEWRY

The aftermath of the Gulf War has heightened concerns for Jewish communities in Arab lands. With that in mind, the Jews in Arab Lands Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, and the National Task Force for Syrian Jews have organized a half-day seminar on advocacy for Syrian Jewry on Sunday, May 26, from 9-11:30 a.m. at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St.

The program will include an update on the political situation of Syrian Jewry, workshops on advocacy and programming, and a showing of the documentary on Syrian Jewry, *In the Shadows*.

If you are interested in attending, contact **Eti Young** of the CJC at 635-2883, ext. 180.

### DRESSED TO KILL

Dressed to Kill is an evening you can't afford to miss. Share the drama, intrigue and delicious desserts as the Leah Posluns Theatre presents eveningwear fashions by some of Canada's foremost designers along with a mysterious sequence of events. This is what you would call a "fashionable" murder mystery.

The date is Sunday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the theatre, 4588 Bathurst St. Tickets are available at the box office at 630-6752 or at Ticketmaster at 872-1111.

### AVIVA ART SHOW & AUCTION

The 39th annual Aviva Charity Art Show and Auction of contemporary Canadian artists takes place Sunday, May 26, at Joseph D. Carrier Art Gallery, Columbus Centre, 901 Lawrence Ave. W. Reception and silent auction begins at 6 p.m. with the bidding at 7:30.

Admission is $20 per person. Proceeds will go to Youth Aliyah. For information, call 256-4292.

### AN EVENING OF SHOLEM ALEICHEM

Toronto ORT Chaverim Chapter is presenting an evening of Sholem Aleichem readings by **Julius Sokoloff**. Join in the laughter, music, cakes and tea on Sunday, May 26, at 8 p.m. at Dufferin-Clark Community Centre, Meeting Room 1 (corner Dufferin and Clark), Thornhill.

Admission is $9 per person. All proceeds will go to ORT schools. For more information, call the ORT office at 787-0297.

### BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST

At the Sunday, May 26, meeting of Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club, **Rabbi Lionel Blue**, Holy Blossom's scholar in residence in May, will speak on Working With Muslims in Today's Political Climate.

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9:30 at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St. Everyone is welcome.

### PNAI MEETING

The Toronto Chapter of Parents of North American Israelis (PNAI) is holding its next meeting on Sunday, May 26, at 8:30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

The guest speaker will be **Prof. Ze-ev Lev** of the Hebrew University. His topic is Israel's Scientific and Technological Centre-Light and Shade. All members of the Toronto Israeli community are welcome.

### BEAT THE RECESSION!

Beat the Recession! Plan to attend the giant group garage sale of household, clothing and furniture items to be held on Sunday, May 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St.

Proceeds from the sale will go to support the many service projects of the National Council of Jewish Women, Thornhill Study Group. Refreshments will be served.

### KEEP IT UNDER YOUR HAT

By popular demand, a major address devoted to the philosophic and legal obligations for married women to cover their hair, will be given by **Rabbi Uziel Milevsky**, dean of Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill, on Sunday, May 26, at 9 p.m. at Ohr Somayach Bais Midrash, 613 Clark Ave. W.

The purpose of this lecture is to impart information pertaining to biblical, halachic and sociological issues relating to this very important concept. Rabbi Milevsky will deal with all aspects of this law and its applicability both in ancient and modern times.

This lecture, which is for women only, is under the auspices of the Womens' Studies Program of Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill. Admission is free. For further information, contact **Rena Schochet** at 886-5730.

### AFTERNOON TEA PARTY

Congregation Habonim and the UJA/Operation Exodus invite you to a special afternoon tea party featuring The Music of the Next Generation with five young and talented musicians and singers performing a variety of classical and folk compositions.

It all takes place Sunday, May 26, at 2:30 p.m. at Congregation Habonim, 5 Glen Park Ave. Refreshments will be served and there will be door prizes.

Admission is $10. Proceeds of the tea together with special scholarships by patrons will be donated to Operation Exodus.

### BARGAINS GALORE

Happy shoppers will find bargains galore at the bazaar sponsored by Beach Hebrew Institute on Sunday, May 26, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 109 Kenilworth Ave. There will be a bake table, books, clothing, door prizes, snack bar, hourly draw and more.

### HERITAGE OF CHILDREN

Heritage of Children, a group working to ensure grandparents' access to grandchildren, will be meeting on Sunday, May 26, from 1-4:30 p.m. at Wallace Emerson Community Centre, 1260 Dufferin St. (south of Dupont). The guest speaker will be psychologist and family counsellor **John Chiarot**.

Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome. For information, call 656-5408.

### GARAGE SALE

Be sure to drop in at the garage sale organized by Jordana-Yamit Chapter of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO on Sunday, May 26, for lots of good buys including dishes, clothing, toys and much more.

The sale runs from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 49 Combe Ave.

**Brigitte and Michael Bass**

### CELEBRATING ORT MONTH

Toronto ORT will be celebrating ORT Month at a reception at the home of **Brigitte and Michael Bass,** 47 Ava Rd., Richmond Hill, on Sunday, May 26, at 3 p.m. Guest speaker will be **Susan Jackson,** director of community services, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region.

Guests will be pianist **Fern Lindson.** Proceeds of $36 for two guests will provide one day social services for an ORT student. For further information, call Toronto ORT at 787-0297.

### RUN FOR RESEARCH

Sunnybrook Health Science Centre invites you to participate in the 10th anniversary Run for Research scheduled for Sunday, May 26, at 9 a.m. Funds raised from the 1 km and 10 km events will go to support Sunnybrook research in a variety of programs including cancer, aging, trauma.

Run, jog, walk or enter the wheelchair category, but enter now to keep disease on the run. For further information, call the Run for Research hotline at 480-6100, ext. 4827.

### GRAND SOCIETY

GRAND Society (Grandparents Requesting Access and Dignity) meets on Sunday, May 26, at 1 p.m. at 16 Spadina Rd.

The charge for non-members is $2. For information, call 469-5471 or 781-3343.

### CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION

Party at the Sports Cafe, 49 St. Clair Ave. W., on Sunday evening, May 26, and help raise funds to support cystic fibrosis research. The door prize is two tickets to a Toronto Blue Jays home game and post game reception.

Tickets are $10 at the door. This is the first fund raising event sponsored by the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. For more information, call **Deborah** at 960-6268.

### DYSTONIA RESEARCH

The first annual general meeting of the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation, Toronto Chapter, on Sunday, May 26, features guest speakers **Dr. Anthony Lang, Dr. David Charles** and **Avril Lewis**.

The meeting takes place at 2 p.m. at Toronto Western Hospital, 399 Bathurst St., second floor, grey elevators, auditorium.

For information, call **Florence Bernstein** at 484-0410.

## Monday, May 27

### MATURE ORTHODOX SINGLES

After a year and a half of successful programming, Toronto's Orthodox Singles Inc. is adding a new branch of networking for a new community of singles, the Toronto Orthodox Mature Group (ages 50 plus). The first program, a dinner and lecture, will take place at the new Chopstix Restaurant, 3426 Bathurst St., at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 27.

This program will be joined by **Rabbi Moshe Stern** of Shaarei Tefillah Congregation. The topic to be discussed, Aging and Companionship — A Communal Responsibility, will help mature adults share and establish new friendships and relationships in an informal atmosphere.

For more information, contact **Sharon Ganz** at 785-0761 or **Linda Wein** at 787-8133 or **Barbara Horton** at 886-8180.

### JERUSALEM ELWYN DIRECTOR

**Avi Ramot**, executive director of Jerusalem Elwyn, will be appearing at a gathering of the Canadian Friends of Elwyn on Monday, May 27, at 8 p.m. at the home of **Jennie and Irwin Cass**, 108 Old Forest Hill Rd.

Dr. Ramot will be speaking about the programs of Jerusalem Elwyn, which currently serve over 700 developmentally disabled children and adults in Jerusalem.

### JEWISH UNITY

Adath Israel and Beth David-B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregations will conclude their joint adult education series on Issues in Jewish Law and Tradition on Monday, May 27, at 8 p.m. when both **Rabbi Steven Saltzman** and **Rabbi Philip Scheim** will discuss Jewish Unity — Are We Really One?

The lecture will be held at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.

Following the lecture, at 9:15 p.m., the Joy of Singing will be concluding. Hebrew/Yiddish/English folk and liturgical selections will be led by **Cantor Moti Zingboim**.

### BASICS SEMINAR

BASICS, an innovative series of individual seminars which explore the wit and wisdom of Judaism, is geared to students and professionals 20-45 years of age. The series is sponsored by Aish HaTorah.

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## *HONORS*

**On Sunday, Nov. 24, at the Royal Alexandra Theatre, the ORT International Award of Distinction will be bestowed upon Ed and Ann Mirvish. The gala evening features a performance by comedienne Phyllis Diller. Toronto ORT has launched the Ed and Ann Mirvish Perpetual Scholarship Fund with proceeds providing scholarships mainly to Russian olim at the ORT Israel Network. The Tribute committee will include many distinguished names in the fields of business and entertainment, friends of the Mirvish family and supporters of ORT. For information, call the ORT office at 787-0297.**

## *ORT MONTH*

**ORT Month was proclaimed for the month of May during a ceremony held in the office of North York Mayor Mel Lastman. Many chapter activities have been scheduled during the month. With the mayor are executive members (from left) Bertha Dermer, Marilyn Somers, Kathleen Crook, acting president Toronto ORT; Brigitte Bass and Kati Harari.**

# Organizations and People

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On Monday, May 27, the topic is Communication: Why Don't You Understand Me? The time is 7 p.m. at Aish HaTorah, 296A Wilson Ave. Phone 636-7530 for information.

**OPERATION SHMIRAT HALASHON**

Emunah Women is sponsoring a continuing shiur on the dinim (laws) of Shmirat Halashon (Guard Your Tongue), based on the work Chofetz Chaiam.

**Rabbi Uziel Milevsky**, dean of Ohr Somayach, conducts the program every other Monday morning from 9:45-10:45 at BAYT, Ohr Somayach Wing, 613 Clark Ave., Thornhill. The next gathering is May 27.

For more information, call 635-9847.

## Tuesday, May 28

**IN THE SHADOWS**

You are invited to attend a community-wide briefing on In the Shadows: The Tragedy of Syrian Jewry with a special screening of the acclaimed film *In the Shadows*, commissioned by the Dr. Ronald Feld Fund for Jews in Arab Lands and featuring **Michael Schelew**, past president, Amnesty International, on Human Rights in Syria and International Redress; **Cayle Chernin**, producer/actress, on The Making of Shadows, and a question and answer period with **Judy Feld Carr**, chairman, Dr. Ronald Feld Fund for Jews in Arab Lands, Beth Tzedec Congregation.

The event takes place on Tuesday, May 28, at 8 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. It is sponsored by Jews in Other Lands Committee of Adath Israel and B'nai Brith Canada's Institute for International Affairs.

Admission is free. For more information, call 633-6224 or 635-5340.

**A PUBLIC FORUM**

The Toronto Associates' Group of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation is sponsoring a public forum on Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) on Tuesday, May 28, at 8 p.m. in the Social Hall of Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

The forum features **Dr. Fred Saibil**, head of gastroenterology at Sunnybrook Medical Centre, as moderator; **Dr. Zane Cohen**, of Mount Sinai Hospital, one of Canada's foremost gastro surgeons; **Dr. Alvin Newman**, a gastroenterologist specialist at Mount Sinai Hospital, and **Dr. Philip Sherman**, pediatric gastro-intestinal specialist at the Hospital for Sick Children.

There will be time for questions and answers, and light refreshments will be served. There is no charge, but please reserve by calling the Foundation office at 781-3584.

## Wednesday, May 29

**AFTER DESERT STORM**

On Wednesday, May 29, Shaarei Shomayim Congregation presents the Sam Kaiman Memorial Lecture with **Daniel Pipes**, director, Foreign Policy Research Institute, Philadelphia, speaking on After Desert Storm: The Prospects for Israel-Arab relations.

The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. Admission is free. Refreshments will follow.

*RECEPTION*

**Kosher caviar is being flown in from Israel for a gala cocktail reception at the Park Plaza Hotel on Wednesday, June 5. This event will culminate the successful completion of the Technion Russian Absorption Campaign conducted by the Technion Society this year. The reception will be preceded by a private viewing of A Coat of Many Colours exhibition at the Royal Ontario Museum. Contributors to the Canadian Technion Society have been invited. In the photo are Lois Friedman (left) and Pauline Menkes, co-chairmen of the evening.**

**GALA CONCERT**

A gala concert marking the 36th anniversary of the Yiddish Culture Council is set for Wednesday, May 29, at 8 p.m. at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St.

The four participating artists are internationally acclaimed pianist **Natasha Tiomkina**, renowned oboeist **Fenia Trubashnik**, folk singer **Lenka Lichtenberg** and **Cantor Louis Danto**.

Admission is $5. Tickets will be available at the door.

**YOUNG MOTHERS' GROUP**

The Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am monthly Young Mothers' Group will host **Eleanor Baker** of the Hospital for Sick Children's Poison Control Centre on Wednesday, May 29, from 1-3 p.m. in the board room of the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd.

A short film will be presented and applicable handouts will be provided. This program is a must for all caregivers.

The cost is $3. Babysitting is available by reservation only. Call **Carol** at 731-8858.

**JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

The next meeting of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Canada (Toronto Division) is scheduled for Wednesday, May 29, at 7:30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencarin Ave.

**Angus Banter**, well-known geneologist and author, will speak on Do's and Don'ts for Ancestor Hunters. This should be an informative experience with a most knowledgeable lecturer.

For information, call **Peter Cullman** at 964-2196 days or 756-7856 evenings.

**NCJW NEW BRANCH**

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto Section, invites all women interested in forming a new branch for professional single women to attend a meeting on Wednesday, May 29, at 8 p.m. at 4700 Bathurst St.

For further information, call Council House at 633-5100.

**LUNCH AND LEARN**

At Holy Blossom Temple's Lunch and Learn in Retirement Group meeting on Wednesday, May 29, the topic, Canadian Policy and the Media—Persian Gulf Crisis and the Middle East will be discussed by **Prof. John Kirton**, co-director of research with the Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto.

The group meets at noon at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St. Bring your own lunch. Coffee and cookies will be provided at no charge. Everyone is welcome. For information for a drive to temple or if you can provide a lift, call **Tera** at 789-3291.

On Tuesday, June 25, the group will go to the Royal Ontario Museum to see the exhibit, A Coat of Many Colors. The cost is $6.50 including earphone description of the exhibit and tea in the members lounge. Space must be reserved early by calling Tera at the above number. Also, a trip to the McMichael Gallery is planned for July 17 with a guided tour and high tea at a cost of $10 for the entire afternoon. Reserve with the group or the temple office at 789-3291.

**MOM'S MORNING OUT**

Mom's Morning Out is a group that meets Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11 at Shaareh Haim Synagogue house, 9711 Bayview Ave. On May 29, **Anita Isaac** will speak on Creating Birthday Party Ideas for At-Home Birthdays.

Babysitting is provided. RSVP to **Joni Richardson** at 764-9243 or **Jo-Anne Freeman** at 886-2153.

**ABOUT ILEITIS & COLITIS**

The Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, Toronto Chapter, invites you to an educational meeting on Wednesday, May 29, when Nutritional Aspects of Inflammatory Bowel Disease will be discussed by guest speaker **Dr. K. Jeejeebhoy**, staff gastroenterologist, St. Michaels Hospital.

The meeting takes place at 7:30 p.m. at Toronto General Hospital Nurses' Residence, 90 Gerrad St. W.

## Thursday, May 30

**SONGS OF MILK AND HONEY**

Songs of Milk and Honey, an evening of Yiddish and Chassidic music, Israeli folk music and show tunes is being presented by Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Brotherhood on Thursday, May 30. It features **Cantor Moti Zingboim** of Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am and **Cantor Efraim Sapir** of Beth Tikvah Synagogue with **Paul Brown** and the Nitebreaker Band.

Showtime is 8 p.m. at Beth David, 55 Yeomans Rd. Tickets are $12 and are available at Beth David and Beth Tikvah. Refreshments will be served.

**MY GRANDPARENTS HAD A HOTEL**

On Thursday, May 30, at 7:30 p.m., Samya Chapter, Hadassah-WIZO, is screening the film *My Grandparents Had a Hotel*, produced and directed by **Karen Shopsowitz**.

A discussion period will follow with the film maker and **Issie Shopsowitz**, who provided the original footage of the Monteith Inn in the '30s and '40s. Coffee, desserts and door prizes will complete the evening.

The screening takes place at the Primrose Club, 273 St. Clair Ave. W. Tickets are $18. Proceeds will go to Youth Aliyah. For tickets, call **Simmie** at 961-7440 or **Shawnee** at 485-9820.

**HOME SPA DESSERTS**

Do you love to eat delicious gourmet desserts but hate the inches they add? The National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto Section, has just the answer!

Join the group on Thursday, May 30, at 8 p.m. when Toronto's own **Rose Reisman** Brings Home Spa Desserts, demonstrating from her new cookbook of the same name.

Tickets are $15. For further information and reservations, call Council House at 633-5100.

**PARENTS OF ASTHMATIC CHILDREN**

Parents of Asthmatic Children of Southern Ontario is holding a general meeting on Thursday, May 30, at 8 p.m. at the Hugh MacMillan Rehabilitation Centre, 350 Rumsey Rd., auditorium (Bayview-Eglinton area).

The guest speaker, pediatrician **Dr. Granville Nickerson** of Montreal and Bridgewater, N.S., will discuss A New Look at Asthma.

New members are welcome. For further information, call **Elaine Rose** at 881-8416 or **Joan Naert** at 292-6335.

## And What Else Is New...

**TEL HASHOMER FUND RAISER**

The Canadian Friends of Tel Hashomer Hospital invites the community to view the exhibition, A Coat of Many Colors: Two Centuries of Jewish Life in Canada, at the Royal Ontario Museum on Monday, June 3, from 6:30-10 p.m.

Tickets are $18 standard, $100 sponsor, $250 patron, $500 benefactor. Proceeds will be utilized for the purchase of urgently required medical equipment especially needed in the aftermath of the Gulf War.

For more information about Canadian Friends or tickets for the evening, call 633-5646.

**GALA EVENING & FASHION SHOW**

The theme of JEWEL (Jewish Educated Women Electing Life) of Chabad Lubavitch of Markham's fourth annual gala evening and fashion show is Honoring Jewish Women Who Make a Difference.

The event, featuring spring and summer fashion designs by Le Foret Boutique of the Promenade, is taking place Tuesday, June 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the Markham Suites Hotel. There will also be a Vienese sweet table and coffee.

Tickets are $25. Proceeds will go to Children of Chernobel campaign. For reservations, call **Goldie Plotkin** at 886-0420.

**REALLY ROSIE**

Beth Tikvah Youth is presenting *Really Rosie*, a musical to delight and enchant audiences of all ages, based on **Maurice Sendak's** *Really Rosie* and directed by **Rachel Urman** and **Naomi Lasky**.

Performance is set for Sunday, May 26, at Assembly Hall of the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

Admission is $5 adults, $3 children 12 and under. Tickets are available at the synagogue office or at the door. For more information, call **Teri Rubinoff**, youth director, at 221-8994.

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON BINGO**

Have fun and win big prizes ($3,500 in prizes awarded weekly, $1,000 jackpot) at the Tuesday afternoon bingo sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto Section.

It is held every Tuesday from 3-5:30 p.m. at 525 Wilson Ave. Proceeds go to the many NCJW service projects.

**QUINTE DANCE CENTRE PREMIERE**

The Toronto premiere of the Quinte Dance Centre, one of Canada's great professional dance training schools, is being presented by the Koffler Centre School of Dance on Saturday, June 1, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, June 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St.

**Gizella Witowsky**, principal dancer, National Ballet of Canada, will perform as special guest artist.

This event is a benefit with proceeds going to the scholarship funds of both the Koffler and Quinte Schools.

Tickets can be obtained by calling the box office at 630-6752 or Ticketmaster at 872-1111.

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*BONDS EXECUTIVE*

**Pictured above are State of Israel Bonds executives (from left) Construction and Development co-chairmen Barry Zagdanski and Miguel Singer; Freddy Guth, Division past chairman; Alex Grossman, vice-president, Canada-Israel Securities Ltd., and Harvey Solursh, chairman, State of Israel Bonds, Ontario. [Arnold Machtinger photo].**


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# Organizations and People

## What's New

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**YOUNG MARRIED GROUP**

Beth Tzedec Congregation Young Married Group invites young Jewish couples to a Barbecue Bash at the home of **Allen and Susan Schacht** on Sunday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m.

RSVP by May 26 to the Schachts at 481-9486 or **Ron and Debbie Caine** at 663-9430 or **Allan and Kathy Troster** at 733-8131.

**YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

There are many lonely and isolated seniors in our community whose lives would be greatly enriched by the conversation and companionship that a volunteer visitor could provide. All it takes is a walk in the park, sharing a story, a joke or a smile.

If you would like to provide friendship to a senior and have at least one hour available per week, consider becoming a Senior Care volunteer visitor. Start your summer by making a difference! Contact **Arnold Foss** at Senior Care/Community Service to Jewish Elderly at 635-2860.

**NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH**

The Leah Posluns Theatre and Theatre School announce the Young Company Workshop Production of Nothing But the Truth, written by **Judy Silver** with **Dolly Reisman** and directed by Judy Silver. This timely and provocative show deals with the teaching of anti-Semitism in high school.

Performances are being held from May 29-June 2 at the Leah Posluns Studio Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St. Student matinees are available. For ticket information, call 636-1880, ext. 298 or 287.

**PROJECT CLOTHESLINE**

Project Clothesline says thanks to the community for its wonderful response, but please — no more clothes until the fall! Catch up time is needed.

Project Clothesline will let you know when it is ready again.

**TENNIS PLUS WEEKEND**

Israel Cancer Research Fund is planning a Tennis Plus weekend at Camp Manitou Wabing May 31-June 2. The weekend includes tennis, water sports, all land sports, evening entertainment, two nights accommodation and six meals.

Everyone is welcome to relive those fun-filled days at summer camp and donate to a very important cause. For further information, call 787-0139.

**BETH JOSEPH PLAYGROUP**

Come play, learn and grow with Beth Joseph Lubavitch Playgroup. Leave your child in a warm, secure, fun-filled learning environment staffed by qualified teachers.

Activities include free play, songs, dance, stories, games and snacks. The programs are available for children two and three years of age (diapered children are welcome).

The playgroup runs 8:45-11:45 a.m., Monday-Thursday, at 44 Edinburgh Dr. Call **Reva** at 638-2566 after 6 p.m.

**DAVKA, A JEWISH CAFE**

Davka, a Jewish cafe, is a non-profit undertaking celebrating the Jewish presence downtown. Located at 585 Bloor St. W. (at Markham), it is open every Thursday evening from 7:30-11 p.m.

On May 23 singer/oud player **Joshua Benchetrit** and percussionist **Simon Sibonney** will provide an evening of Middle Eastern sounds. The May 30 program will present an interesting mix of storytelling, modern Jewish music and some readings. Also, every night at 10:45 there are readings in English of Sholem Aleichem by **Sam Blatt**.

*50 YEARS*

**Rabbi Joseph Kelman (right) presenting United Synagogue Day School plaque to Mildred and Wilfred Kideckel. In honor of their 50th anniversary, the Kideckels established The Wilfred and Mildred Kideckel Scholarship and Bursary Fund and USDS.**

**JF & CS GROUPS**

Jewish Family & Child Service offers the following groups — Parenting for the '90s (a summer series), Mid-Life Separation and Divorce (beginning May 28), Losing a Parent as an Adult, and One Marriage-Two Religions (beginning May 27).

Call **Pat Lieberman** at 638-7800 for registration information.

**SCHOOL OF VISUAL ART**

The Koffler Gallery School of Visual Art is arranging an experimental watercolor workshop with well-known Canadian artist **Peter Kolisnyk** on June 12 and 13. This two-day workshop for students of all levels deals with the exploration of different papers, methods, content, tools and the inclusion of mixed media elements. The fee is $75.

Also offered this summer are Potters Wheel and Handbuilding (day and evening classes), Drawing and Painting, Teen Drawing and Painting and Stone Sculpture Workshp (for days).

For more information on any of these classes, contact **Rose Brinder** at 636-2145.

**B'NAI BRITH WOMEN CONVENTION**

B'nai Brith Women of Canada's biennial convention is being held at the Sheraton Toronto East Hotel and Towers May 26-28. The theme of this year's convention is Facing Forward: Tomorrow Starts Today.

**Mitzi Dickstein**

There will be programs on domestic violence and ethical issues of reproductive technology. Convention chairman **Mitzi Dickstein** has confirmed that lawyers **Marilou McPhedran** will introduce the session on domestic violence and **Rabbi Steven Saltzman** will be a member of the panel discussing ethical issues of reproductive technology. In addition, the opening banquet will feature former justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, **Bertha Wilson**, recipient of the BBW/C Achievement Award.

The national executive board for 1991-93 will be elected and installed at a gala banquet.

## at the JCC

For the last four years, the Jewish Community Centre and Nike have sponsored a Basketball Camp for boys and girls, ages 6-16, during the last week of August. This year, the fifth annual camp is being held Aug. 26-30 at the North Y Branch, 4588 Bathurst St. Personal instruction is provided for all age levels by guest coaches from American and Canadian universities and high schools. There is something for everyone! For more information on this upcoming camp and other basketball programs, contact **Janine Krusky**, basketball co-ordinator, at 636-1880, ext. 261.

Pump it! Swim it! Sun it! Love it! Special summer membership is now available at the North Y Branch, starting at $150. Call **Frances Adler** at 636-1880 for information.

The JCC Bloor Y Branch and Downtown Jewish Community School are co-sponsoring an Israel Experience Fair featuring booths, slide shows, Israeli food and music on Sunday, May 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bloor Y and DJCS, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). Admission is free.

The Bloor Y needs you! Volunteers are needed to fill new interesting, challenging positions. Call **Barbara** at 631-5665.

Registration for summer camp at the Bloor Y is now taking place. Call **Florence** at 924-6211.

The North/East Valley Branch's Summer Splendor Socials for young adults (18-25) features an open house on Saturday, May 25, from 7:30-midnight at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. It's an "El Morocco" evening with tennis, swim and dinner, cash bar and dancing. The charge is $7. For information, call the Valley at 889-0813.

The Young Russian Jewish Adult Committee is holding a movie night on Sunday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Admission is free. For information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

Take a hike! Join Twentysomething Uptowners Downtowners Club for brunch and a hike on Sunday, June 9. Meet at the North Y, 4588 Bathurst St., Room 206, at 11 a.m. Cost is $15. Reservation and payment must be made in advance. Call **Luni** at 889-0813.

Register now for the Valley junior summer program for ages 5-12. The two-week sessions, starting July 2, offer tennis and swim lessons and more. For more information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

Call the JCC Singles Hotline at 889-5101 for 24-hour taped information of events at the JCC and around the city.

## for seniors

**The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Group**, 55 years of age and over, meets every other Sunday to help each other deal with mourning and adjust to loss. The meetings provide a supportive environment where group members can share experiences and make new friends. The next meeting is on May 26 from 1-2:30 p.m. in the library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. Group co-ordinator is **Toby Warsh**. For more information, call **Gitit Gilran** at 789-5131, ext.2271.

**Earl Bales Senior's Club** is holding a dance with a live band on Sunday, May 26, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre ($3 members, $4 non-members); a movie on Wednesday, May 29, at 7 p.m. in the club house (free for members, $1 non-members), and a Father's Day dinner and dance for members only on Sunday, June 23 ($15)...Upcoming trips include — Buffalo shopping tour Tuesday, May 28; bus run to Kitchener ($16 per person), and Catskill trip to the Pines Hotel July 7-14 ($775 Canadian eight days, seven nights, and $575 six days, five nights)...Ongoing activities continue plus bingo on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. For information, call 636-7856.

**LZA Senior Citizens Club's** next regular luncheon meeting is a Father's Day celebration with special entertainment for fathers and grandfathers on Wednesday, June 12, at 11:30 a.m. at the Borochov Cultural Centre, 272 Codsell Ave...Two buses are leaving for the Raleigh Hotel in the Catskills,the first one on July 21 and the second on July 23. All payments must be in at the June 12 lunch...The Cultural Club meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon with refreshments served. The Dance Group meets every Tuesday from 1-2 p.m. and shuffleboard takes place Tuesday evenings at 7. Daily activities continue. For details, call 633-8579.

**Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club**, 470 Glencairn Ave., announces an orientation meeting for the Israeli trip (Nov. 13-Dec. 4) on Monday, May 27, at 1 p.m...Be sure to ask about the Catskill trip to the Homowack Hotel July 10-18. It promises to be a really great sun-filled vacation...Ongoing activities continue. For information on trips and programs, contact **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923...Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Lanaido Hospital and Orphanage in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

**The Good Age Club** at the Bloor Y Branch of the Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) is holding its annual bazaar and bake sale on Sunday, May 26, from 1 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be clothing, household items, toys, books and handmade cakes and pastries. For information, call **Nurit** at 924-6211.

**The Canadian Israeli Club Aluma**, for Israelis and Hebrew speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. On May 29 **Prof. Batsheva Granat** will speak on The New Hebrew Theatre. For more information, call **Avner Meiri** at 663-1443 or **Oved Azuri** at 631-9794 or **Gitit Gilran** at the Wagman Centre at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

**Young at Heart Seniors** has arranged a trip to the Catskills at the Pines Hotel Aug. 4-13, with lots of goodies including a trip to Atlantic City and deluxe medical insurance. For information, call **Manny** at 633-7463 from 1-9 p.m. or **Helen** at 635-6343 from 7-11 p.m. or 462-0258 from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Senior Sinais** Golden Book is ongoing. Your donations for special occasions go to Kibbutz Yahal in Israel. Place your order with **Frances Malkin** at 226-3252 or **Ida Himmelstein** at 630-3862 between 7 and 9 p.m.

Join **Club Chaverim** on Monday afternoons for bingo and cards from 12:30-4 p.m. at the JCC North/East Valley Branch, 7015 Leslie St. For information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — **The Romanian Social Club** welcomes new members, 55 years of age and over. The club meets every Tuesday from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Wagman Centre. For more information, call 789-5131, ext. 2271...Bingo is arranged for Sunday, May 26, from 1:30-3 p.m. in the Common Room...The Tuesday evening program on May 28 features pianist **Steven Koven**. The time is 7:30-8:30 p.m.

**Beth Sholom Seniors** meets every other Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. Programs include entertainment and refreshments. The next meeting is set for June 5. For information, call **Eve Donsky** at 782-1068.

The JCC Bloor Y Branch, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) will be running seniors programs throughout the summer offering knitting, bridge, dance, fitness and the Good Age Club. For information, contact **Nurit** at 924-6211.

Holy Blossom Temple's **Lunch and Learn in Retirement Group** features afternoon rubber bridge every Thursday from 12:30-3:30 p.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St. Partners are selected every week. Tea and coffee is served. For information, phone **Claire Sweet** at 489-9048.

**Sunshine Seniors**, 55-70, invites you to a day away on Wednesday, June 12, to see a hilarious comedy with lots of Jewish humor at the Stage West Theatre. The cost is $39 and includes a buffet lunch.

**CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING**

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

La'Briyut Wellness Centre is presenting The Invisible Wall, a moving film dealing with the myths and misconceptions surrounding mental illness, followed by a discussion led by **Shari Cherney**. The date is Thursday, May 30, at 1:30 p.m.

The movie, *Mosquito Coast*, will be screened on Sunday, May 26, at 2:30 p.m. No charge for members, $1 charge for non-members.

An afternoon of songs featuring the Centre's Creative Choir is scheduled for Wednesday, May 29, at 1:30 p.m. The charge is $2.50 members, $3.50 non-members. Refreshments will be served following the entertainment.

The Friendship Circle, for people 55 and over and single, meets every other Thursday at 7 p.m. A nostalgic evening of slides on Toronto 150 Years Young will be presented by **Mr. Bodden** at the May 23 session. Meetings are for Friendship Circle members only. The fee is $1. Refreshments are served.

## singles events

*Singles Events is an advertising feature of The Canadian Jewish News.* ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Alan at 422-2528.*

**For the first time ever, Toronto's Orthodox Mature Adults (50 +)**presents a **Dinner and Lecture** with Rabbi Moshe Stern at Chopstix Restaurant (cor), 3426 Bathurst Street.
Monday, May 27th, 6:30pm. Fee $25. For more information contact Sharon Ganz 787-0345, Barbara Horton 886-8180, Linda Wein 787-8133. 4799

**Beth Tikvah Singles** Dance, May 26th. 8:00pm. 3080 Bayview Avenue. Dress casual (Jeans). 50's and 60's D.J. Cost $10.00. Call 882-9057 for more information.
Coming Events: Beth Tikvah Singles (35-55) are going to Artpark on Sunday, August 18th, to see "Man of La Mancha". Tickets and bus transportation, $50.00. For reservations call 882-9057. 10 pin bowling. Sunday, May 19, 1991. Newtonbrook Bowlerama. 4:30. 4928

**For the first time** in Toronto, Yuppies International presents **Party on the Lake** aboard Captain Matthew Flinders, luxury cruiseliner. Location; Between Bathurst and Spadina, on the Queen's Quay West. Date; May 26th, 1991. Boarding 8:00pm. Departure 8:30pm sharp. Cost $10 in advance. $12 at the door. For ticket information call 764-2924. 4916

**Adath Israel Singles (30-50 Years)** upcoming events: **An evening with Chaviva Hosek** - "Life After Politics", Friday June 7, 8:00 pm sharp. For further information please speak with Rabbi Sheldon Korn. 635-5340. 4919

**The Phantom is Coming to Park Avenue.** Metro Toronto Singles presents a singles **Phantom of the Opera** party at **Park Avenue** (4950 Yonge Street in the Madison Centre). Sunday, May 26th. 8:00pm. Cost $10.00. Door prize; Tickets to "Phantom of the Opera". For more information call 222-7111. 4945

**"A Fabulous Dance"**
**New Image 50 Plus**
is having a dance on Saturday, May 25th, at Earl Bales Community Centre. 8:00pm. Refreshments and prizes. $5.00 members, $6.00 guests. Deejay Phil Allenbick. Everyone welcome!
**Last chance** for our dinner and dance. $6.00. For members only. Set for Sunday, June 2nd at 7:00pm sharp.
Also, please bring your cheque for Catskill Trip. See Helen at the dance. Come, have a good time! 4929

**Metro Toronto Singles** presents a Super **Boat Cruise**, Monday July 1st (Canada Day) aboard the Empire Sandy, Toronto's most spectacular "Tall Ship". Includes fireworks display over lake, all you can eat buffet and D.J. Meet 250 Jewish singles. Advance sales only. Call **222-7111** for information. 5134

**Cooper & Fine "Swing Into Summer"**
At **The Sports Cafe**, 49 St. Clair West. Sunday evening, May 26th. Tickets, $10.00 at the door. Door prize (2 tickets to Jay's game, plus post game reception with the Jays!). Proceeds to support Cystic Fibrosis research. Deborah, 960-6268. 5094

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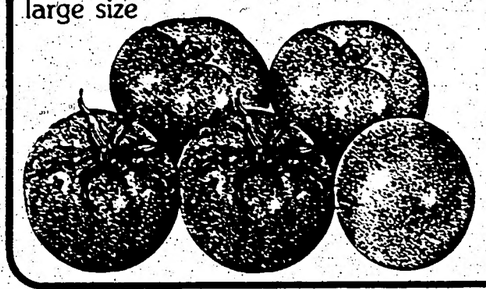

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*Many analogies to be made*

# Jews' place in Jerusalem's history examined by prof.

By BILL GLADSTONE

**TORONTO —**

There are many analogies to be made between the independent Jewish state of modern times and its ancient counterpart in the Second Temple era, an associate professor of Jewish history from Bar-Ilan University in Israel told a Toronto audience recently.

Speaking at the Beth Sholom Synagogue on Yom Yerushalyim on the topic of The Centrality of Jerusalem to the Jewish World. Dr. Albert Baumgarten said that most of the five million Jews during the Second Temple period lived outside the Jewish homeland in a Diaspora throughout the Roman world.

Then, as now, Jews were chiefly urban dwellers, comprising "roughly 10 per cent of the urban population of the Roman empire," he said. For example, as much as 40 per cent of the population of the ancient metropolis of Alexandria in Egypt, may have been Jewish.

"The Jews who lived outside Palestine in the Diaspora had extensive privileges. On the whole, they were granted the right to worship freely and were able to live as Jews. These rights were protected by the government."

(According to Baumgarten, "Palestine" is the correct term to use when referring in English to the land of Israel during the Second Temple period; he acknowledged that the same land is known as "Eretz Israel" in Hebrew, but said, "I don't believe in mixing languages.")

During the days of the Second Temple — which began in 586 BCE with the return from Babylon and ended more than six centuries later when the Romans destroyed the Temple in 70 CE — between one and two million Jews lived in the independent Jewish state, Baumgarten said.

An important consequence of Jewish monotheism was that the Jews constructed only one temple.

Consequently, two alternate Jewish temples that arose during the Second Temple era met inauspicious fates, Baumgarten said. One, a Samaritan temple on Mount Gerizim, was destroyed by the Maccabean king Johanan Hyrcanus in 120 BCE.

The other, a replica of the Jerusalem temple erected by a dissident rabbi in Leontopolis, Egypt, was ignored by most of the Jewish world, including most Egyptian Jews, who continued to be loyal to Jerusalem.

The intention of the Roman emperor Caligula to put a statue of himself in the Temple — he died before this could be accomplished — was regarded as a far greater threat to Judaism than the distant temple at Leontopolis, Baumgarten said.

For nearly 2,000 years from the fall of Jerusalem in 70 CE until the city's reunification in 1967 in the reborn Jewish state, the Jewish people have not had to grapple with the question of how to administer the city, Baumgarten noted.

The American-born professor, who taught at McMaster University for 11 years before moving to Jerusalem in 1984, cited numerous religious rules drawn up or considered in ancient times to preserve the Jewish character of Jerusalem.

For instance, non-Jews were forbidden to enter the temple or to trade non-kosher animals within the city walls, upon penalty of a fine. According to Baumgarten, some religious extremists even wanted to forbid normal sexual relations between husband and wife.

Noting that modern Jerusalem "is becoming less and less comfortable a place for secular Jews to live," Baumgarten observed that religious Jews in contemporary Jerusalem seem to tolerate existing non-kosher restaurants, movie theatres operating on Shabbat and other secular facilities, but display great antagonism towards plans for new facilities of a similar nature.

Ideally, the role of Jerusalem should be to unify rather than divide the Jewish people, he said.

## Correction

In the article Alzheimer's guide released, in the May 9 issue of The CJN a phone number was given to obtain copies of Senior Care's booklet on Alzheimer's disease. The correct phone number to call is 635-2860.

# *Aphasia Awareness Week declared by Metro, North York leaders*

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The week of May 26-June 1 will be declared Aphasia Awareness Week by North York mayor Mel Lastman and Metro chairman Alan Tonks at a ceremony at The Amphitheatre at Mel Lastman Square, on Monday, May 27 at 11 a.m.

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The goals of the centre are to provide programs to increase effective communication among individuals with chronic aphasia, and to offer the necessary social network to give long-term emotional support to these people and their families.

"Aphasic people don't want people to feel sorry for them," Pat Arato, executive director of The Speech and Stroke Centre emphasizes. "They would prefer our understanding of the disorder and acceptance of who they are and their capabilities."

As part of Aphasia Awareness Week, a free public seminar, sponsored by The Speech and Stroke Centre-North York, will be given by Dr. Audrey Holland, a leading aphasiologist from the University of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania.

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# Organizations and People

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# *Rabbis donate books to aid Jewish studies program*

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
Donations of books by Rabbis Gunther Plaut and Jordan Pearlson will aid in the expansion of the York University Centre for Jewish Studies.

Rabbi Plaut, rabbi emeritus of Holy Blossom Temple, has donated his private collection of 3,000 books, mainly on rabbinics, modern Hebrew literature and Bible, as well as rare texts from the 17th and 18th centuries.

Rabbi Pearlson donated a 20-volume set of the *Jewish Quarterly Review* dating from 1889, one of the earliest scholarly periodicals in English, and a collection of essays on French/Jewish intellectual history.

Both collections, announced Prof. Sol Tanenzapf, associate professor of religious studies at York and a member of the board of the centre for Jewish studies, are at York University Library, and are available to anyone at the university.

**Examining an addition to the library with York University's Jewish Studies Centre director Prof. Sydney Eisen (seated, centre) are (from left) professors Martin Lockshin, Irving Abella and Rachel Schlesinger, members of the centre's executive.**

The Jewish studies program at York has been active for some time, Tanenzapf said.

It offers a BA in Jewish studies, and a BA, BEd in Jewish education, which, he said, has gone a long way towards professionalizing Jewish teaching in Toronto.

Since 1977, there has been a faculty and student exchange with Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

As well, the centre co-sponsors the annual Leonard Wolinsky lectures.

The problem is, Tanenzapf explained, that those who complete their BA and wish to go on to advanced study, have to leave Toronto.

"The University of Toronto's advanced courses are really language-oriented."

The centre wishes to establish a graduate program in Jewish studies, he said.

It wants to "promote research projects, establish chairs in Jewish education and Holocaust studies, provide students with scholarships to study in Israel, and provide scholars with post-doctoral fellowships to pursue research."

Other goals are to establish a scholar/author in residence program, to establish ties between York and the Centre for Public Affairs in Jerusalem, and to link up with the computerized Torah library at Bar-Ilan Universtiy.

Proposed research fields include Ashkenazi-Sephardi relations, Israel-Canada relations, contemporary Jewish thought, Jews and film, and archeology in Israel.

These plans, Tanenzapf admits, are contingent upon raising funds.

Director of the centre is Prof. Sydney Eisen, former dean of arts at York and very active in Jewish communal life.

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# Organizations and People

## *NIF supports co-existence ...*

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO

During the height of the recent Persian Gulf War, when Iraqi Scuds rained down on Israel and Palestinians cheered from their rooftops, peace activist Yossi Sarid expressed his profound disillusionment with his proposed peace partners.

"They can come looking for me," he said in effect, expressing the disappointment that gripped even the most diehard peacenik.

But Sarid has since come to modify his stance and recognize the need for dialogue with Palestinians, said Mel Shipman, president of Canadian Friends of Peace Now.

The local affiliate of Peace Now, though it experienced intense political discussions during the war, has come through the conflict intact, without losing members or financial contributions, Shipman said.

The New Israel Fund likewise has passed the turmoil of the war with little noticeable adverse affect, said lawyer Ed Waitzer, a member of the group's board of directors.

Ed Waitzer

While acknowledging that the sight of Arabs cheering on rooftops hurt their cause among Israelis, Waitzer said the NIF's job of supporting democratic institutions in Israel has not changed.

"In areas where the fabric of democracy is fragile, that's where extremism tends to roost," he said. The NIF, by supporting human rights groups, women's organizations and by promoting coexistence between Arabs and Jews, is helping ensure the strength of Israel's democratic infrastructure, he said.

The war did curtail some projects that encourage coexistence, Waitzer said, but there were also instances of caring human contacts — such as Bedouins collecting blood for Israeli victims of Scud attacks.

And while the NIF's support of groups like B'Tselem, which exposes human rights abuses in the territories, attracts heated criticism, Waitzer maintains the human rights group is playing an important role in maintaining Israel's democratic framework.

NIF's Canadian supporters recognize that and have maintained both their moral support and financial backing, he said.

In fact, the past three months have even seen a surge in financial contributions, though they pale by comparison to the huge sums raised by mainstream groups, like the United Jewish Appeal, he said.

Aimy Gottlieb, a member of the two-year old Jewish Women's Committee to End the Occupation of the West Bank and Gaza, said the the group grew by about 40 per cent during the war and now has 25 active members and many more supporters.

"Jewish women felt a need to be in a group opposed to the war and against the occupation," she said.

Shipman said Peace Now held its own during the war, "survived and [is] very much in business."

A current membership renewal campaign shows no sign of disaffection or a drop in support, he said.

Even during the war, the organization maintained its "normal trickle of new members" and received inquiries from people in London, Ont. about creating a new chapter, which is expected sometime this summer.

The Ottawa branch of Peace Now even saw its membership grow from 40 to 70, he added.

Shipman said the organization was "hurt, both emotionally and organizationally, by the PLO's position on the war," which seemed to backtrack from more positive movement on the peace front.

But Peace Now fully supported Israel during the war even though many members felt sanctions should have been given more time to work against Iraq before the military option was used.

## ... Prof. sees little change in peace process

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

The Gulf War has changed the Mideast peace process "very little," says a Hebrew University political scientist.

Despite the climate of optimism following the war and the recent announcement that six Arab nations are willing to negotiate with Israel, there has been "no substantial progress toward peace," Prof. Ehud Sprinzak told members of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University's Toronto chapter recently.

The war resulted in "short-term satisfaction but long-term insecurity" in Israel, Sprinzak told the sparse audience at Richmond Hill's Shaareh Haim Synagogue.

On the one hand, Israel got "a sense of pleasure knowing we were right all along" about Iraq, but on the other, Sprinzak said he wasn't sure the last eight months have strengthened Israel's self-confidence.

Israel today suffers from "Khadafy-Saddam syndrome" and from "Scud syndrome," he said.

"We don't know where the next [Libyan leader Moammar] Khadafy or Saddam will come from. And what about the next generation of Scuds?

"In spite of the positive aspects of the war, it hasn't affected the long-range implications of the crisis."

Politically, he said, the war has all but guaranteed the re-election of Yitzhak Shamir's government, which Sprinzak called "right-wing, perhaps extreme right-wing."

The PLO's support of Saddam during the war gave the right "a field day" and strengthened those forces in Israel least likely to make concessions on the peace front, he said.

The Likud coalition is held together by three parties and seven Knesset members "to the right of Shamir," whom Sprinzak said is not in full control of the government.

"I think Shamir would be more responsive [to peace] if he would not be so dependent on those small parties. Those parties say if he makes one small concession to the Americans, he's out, and they mean business."

While there has been no tangible progress toward peace, Sprinzak conceded there has been "procedural progress" and he advised everyone to "be patient."

Wendy Senor, legislative liaison for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the Israeli lobby in Washington, said Secretary of State James Baker will try to close four main "gaps" in the peace effort: the reconvening every six months of an international peace conference, the United Nations' and Europe's participation and the status of East Jerusalem.


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# Organizations and People

*New executive director to raise funds*

## Teich heads Canadian Society for Weizmann Institute

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

What do you do after earning a BSc in microbiology at Hebrew University, serving in the Israel Defence Forces, working for 12 years in senior management at Imperial Oil, and tramping through the mountains of Nepal and the jungles of Borneo?

If you are Ira Teich, always looking for a challenge, you become executive director of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Teich, who quite unostentatiously reels off his impressive list of accomplishments, says he was ready for a change.

"It was good for me personally, and that good accrues to a greater cause."

The new position lets him combine his love for Israel and his love for science, he says.

Besides, he says, he felt that, as a chartered accountant (yes, he is that too) he could contribute something unique to the organization.

"I thought I could have a part in operating and managing the Canadian operation in a professional business mode.

"It is different for them getting someone from the profit and business world rather than the social work world."

His basic goal is to raise funds for the Weizmann Institute.

"Historically, its contribution is extremely significant in terms of shaping Israeli society, and helping high-tech industry, which is a guarantee of Israel's self-sufficiency and ability to contribute to the global market."

The Weizmann Institute has already proved its worth, Teich says.

He lists some of its accomplishments: it is the site of the world's first heavy oxygen water separation plant; it was where scientists developed the vitamin D derivative that arrests the deterioration of bones in sufferers of kidney disease and osteoporosis; where much research was done which permitted bone marrow transplants by non-compatible donors.

Ira Teich

It is also the site of a major solar energy collector, contributed by Canadian chairman emeritus Murray Koffler.

"We are on the cutting edge of research."

He also noted with pride the multi-disciplinary brain research institute, which, he said, will have important benefits in such fields as aging, Alzheimer's disease, and bionic-like devices.

Teich said that talented Soviet scientists are being added to the faculty, which will, he said, have a major impact on the institute.

"We have to attract them with world-class facilities and equipment.

"Israel's ability to integrate our Russian olim and provide them with productive, meaningful work is directly related to its ability to continue to generate and increase its science-based/technology-based industry."

Teich, who is also an accomplished artist in watercolors and acrylics, is married to Janet Star, a pediatrician doing research in the field of nephrology.

They are expecting a child shortly.

## *'Peg's Bnay Abraham Synagogue began as sick benefit association*

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Bnay Abraham Synagogue — whose roots go back 75 years to the founding of the Independent Bnay Abraham Sick Benefit Association — recently held its 25th annual dinner wih guest speaker Prof. Irving Abella.

"Free loan societies were the style in those days," says Rabbi Peretz Weizman of the Bnay Abraham. "Most Jewish institutions became free loan societies. People couldn't afford to concentrate on the spiritual. They had more immediate concerns. They had so many pressing problems."

Over the years, the monetary needs receded. Finally, in the mid-1950s, the younger members of the association felt the need to build a shul as well. Rabbi Weizman became the rabbi of the new orthodox shul in 1960. He remembers the membership as hard working, honest people who were satisfied with what they had.

"They weren't religious, but they respected tradition and scholarship," he says. "They were socialistically inclined and strong Yiddishists."

Under Weizman's initiative, the shul was expanded in 1968. Among the additions were a smaller chapel with a memorial wall commemorating the Holocaust. (Weizman is a survivor.) The money for renovations was raised through a series of meetings in Weizman's home. Ever since, the Bnay Abraham has been Winnipeg's Holocaust shul.

Until the Holocaust memorial was unveiled outside the legislature last fall, Holocaust memorial services had been held each year at the shul and the street outside renamed Avenue of the Warsaw Ghetto Fighters during the week of Yom Hashoah.

The loan association has faded away over time but, Weizman reports, there are still people who ask about it. He notes the haimishe shul has become more active in recent years as a younger leadership has come to the fore. Membership stands at about 300 families.

As well, the community shul is appealing to older people with its 65-unit Beit Am residence around the corner from the shul, and to the very young in its active cooperation with the Manitoba Parents for Hebrew Bilingual Education Inc.

Eight years ago, when the parents organization for the public school Hebrew bilingual program was looking for a site for some religious programming for the children, the Bnay Abraham welcomed them with open arms.

The annual dinner usually attracts about 200 people. This year, Miles-Gordon Travel is donating two tickets on a Northwest Airlines as a door prize.

"We aren't doing anything really special this year (other than having Abella speak)," says Mendel Rosenfeld, the Bnay Abraham's executive director. "Our main goal overall is to increase our membership."

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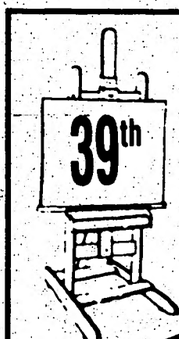

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## Organizations and People

# Jewish cyclists form group

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Last year, when he was participating in a 150 km. bikeathon in aid of multiple sclerosis research, Phillip Galin asked that a kosher meal be provided him.

That simple request seemed to catch organizers off guard, and Galin learned he was the only person making the request for a kosher lunch.

It occured to the young cyclist that it would be nice to have Jewish friends along to share the pleasures of biking, so, in concert with his buddy Bert Serfaty, he decided to take the bull by the horns (or the wheel by the handlebars) and organize a Jewish cycling club.

Hoping to attract casual bikers, and not the triathlete types, Galin is aiming for a group of up to 30 people who would gather for a mid-week pump-out of five kms or so, and for a weekend jaunt of up to 40 kms. Less energetic cyclists are invited to join the others half-way through the weekend route.

Galin sees the club as serving primarily a social purpose — meeting people while experiencing the exhilaration of thigh-pumping exercise.

While his immediate goals are modest, he hopes one day to see the club expand to tackle longer routes, perhaps even to weekend-long jaunts and even one day to attempt a bikeathon to Buffalo.

But in the meantime, things are being kept to a much smaller, more intimate scale, with Toronto-area routes planned and a pace that any cyclist can readily handle.

For more information, contact Galin at 481-1920.

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Todd Simon, centre for the Niagara Falls Thunder, recently tallied 15 points in 14 playoff games, before the Thunder were eliminated by Sault Ste. Marie in the Ontario Hockey League's (OHL) Emms Division quarter-finals.

Simon's seven goals and eight assists placed him fourth on the Thunder in playoff scoring, behind Jason Winch, who racked up 26 points.

During the regular season, the Toronto-born rookie forward finished third overall in OHL scoring, with 51 goals and 72 asssists.

**Biking enthusiasts like Ella Cohen are invited to join the new Jewish cycling club for leisurely jaunts in the Toronto area. [Paul Lungen photo]**

David Peters

# Peters was president of Zionist Council

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

David Peters, 78, a former president of the Toronto Zionist Council, died suddenly recently at his home as the result of a heart attack.

A man who was beloved for his charitable work, and known for his sense of humor, Peters established a law practice in the east end of Toronto at Gerrard and Coxwell Avenues, and operated it for 46 years until his retirement.

"He was the kind of person who gave not only from his purse but from his time," said his wife, Cecily, a former national president of Hadassah-WIZO. "He would sit for an hour with a client over a small detail in a will."

He was head of the Gerrard Businessmen's Association when it conducted its successful Mary Pickford Bungalow charity project.

Born in Ottawa, he was a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, and graduated in law at the age of 22.

He was active in Young Judea. Besides his work on behalf of the Zionist movement, he was a member of B'nai Brith, the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, and Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

He visited Israel 18 times and he and his wife spent their honeymoon there in 1067.

He is survived by his wife, the former Cecily Mayer, three children, Alan Mayer, Toronto, Frederick Mayer, Calgary, and Sari Yorke, Toronto, two grandchildren, Mathew and Darren Yorke, and four sisters, Molly Belen, Southfield, Mich., Marian Bohnen, Laura Dorn and Jean Lea, all of Toronto, and a niece, Esther Gary of Israel.

At the funeral service at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, eulogies were given by Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg, and two nephews, Dr. Jack Belen, and Gilbert Sharpe.


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# Arts

## Characters are skillfully interwoven

# *Michener delves into world of writing, publishing*

**The Novel, by James A. Michener (Random House, $30).**

Moving away from his preoccupation with history, geography, politics, anthropology etc., exhibited in such best selling novels as *The Source, Hawaii, Iberia, Texas*, and *Caribbean*, Michener now turns to the complex world of writing and publishing.

## Books

By BERNARD BASKIN

In his new work, the author tells his story from four points of view: the unfolding events are seen through the eyes of a famous writer, his editor, an eminent critic and an intelligent reader.

How does the creative novelist approach his task? How does an editor mold and transform raw material into a work of art? What is the role of the critic? Who are the great and enduring writers of our time? How are books publicized and packaged for mass market? What is the future of publishing as powerful conglomerates become dominant in the industry?

These are some of the questions that Michener raises in this long, informative, easily read contemporary story.

Unfortunately, the answers he provides are superficial. Complex issues and problems are oversimplified. Although well-crafted and readable, *The Novel* lacks bite and depth.

Michener's protagonist is Lukas Yoder, a competent writer in his late 60s whose novels of the Pennsylvania Dutch country eventually become immensely popular, to make him rich and famous.

His editor is a successful Jewish career woman, shrewd, loyal, knowledgeable about all facets of her work, but uncertain and ambiguous about her identity. She changes her name to one less Jewish to attain, she hopes, even greater rewards in her field.

The critic, a professor at a local college, struggles to find meaning in his own life and work as he fights against mediocrity of such writers as Yoder. He is grief-stricken when his mentor and homosexual companion, an Irish scholar dies of AIDS.

The reader of the novel is a wealthy well-meaning, book-loving matron whose son — a young promising writer — is unaccountably murdered.

### Difficult time for Jew

The lives of the four main characters are skillfully interwoven. At the end, for the reader there has been much food for thought, but little lasting nourishment.

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**The Edge of Darkness, by Avraham Tzuri (C.I.S. Publishers, $16.95 (U.S.)**

The 12th century was a difficult time for the Jews of Spain. The country groaned under the burden of competing religious groups and sects. Superstition and cruelty were rife and an aura of fear and foreboding enveloped the restive provinces of the country.

The Jewish community was caught between the conflicting claims and pressures of Muslims and Christians and suffered also from the fanatical behavior of the Karaites who denied the authority of the Oral Law and insisted on the strict observance of the Torah rather than the additional teachings of the rabbis.

Into this cauldron of violence and conflict is thrust the protagonist of this historical novel who is modeled after Rabbi Abraham ibn Ezra — wandering scholar, poet, physician, grammarian, and astronomer.

The eminent rabbi, a close and trusted friend of Alphonse VII, ruler of Castile, is sent by him on a mission of peace to the Muslim emir in Tunis.

Accompanied by a young scholar, the pair encounter a variety of adventures as they make their way through hazardous territory. On several occasions they are rescued from death in the nick of time, once through the fortuitous occurrence of an eclipse, and another time as they faced burning at the stake.

This fast-paced narrative portrays its characters in shades of black and white, with limited emphasis on character analysis or development. But it is well researched and entertaining. Its greatest appeal will be to young adults and those eager to delve into a portentous historical period of great Jewish interest and meaning.

**Women have a unique relationship to food in Eating.**

# Eating takes good bite at art of communication

## Film

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

I was not aware that women, as Henry Jaglom claims in *Eating*, have a "unique and intense relationship to food." Men, after all, have also been known to enjoy the pleasures of the kitchen. Be that as it may, *Eating* is a filmic feast —a quintessential Jaglom picture.

Premiered at the Toronto Festival of Festivals, and scheduled to open soon, *Eating* is written and directed by Jaglom, arguably the most successful independent filmmaker in the United States. The topic at hand is ostensibly food, yet Jaglom is not just interested in gustatory delights, but in the art of communication.

So in *Eating*, which takes place at a boisterous birthday party presided over by a married woman who's reached the invariably pensive age of 40, the conversation is never-ending.

For example: "Do I have to sleep with someone to get a part?" an aspiring actress asks. The reply from a jaded veteran: "How big a part?"

Inevitably, however, the conversation reverts to food and its effects on women.

The 38 ladies who've squeezed into Helene's rambling California home are friends or friends of friends. The talk, which is laced with self-deprecatory humor, runs the gamut from sex and loneliness to careers. Underlying it all is that four-letter word, food.

"I've been on every diet on the planet," one lady sighs, displeased with her less than svelte figure. "Do you think I'm fat?" another one queries, feeling insecure and ever so vulnerable.

As the banter flies back and forth, a self-styled sociologist observes: "Twenty five years ago, the secret subject of women was sex... today, it's eating." A comic confesses, "I'm still trying to find a man who can excite me as much as a baked potato."

Neuroticism and cattiness are never far beneath the surface. These women *are* obsessed by food, but they're also jealous of one another.

As might be expected, *Eating* is not without its tragic elements. To her horror, Helene (Lisa Richards), the exuberant hostess, learns that her supposedly adorable husband is cheating on her. To Jaglom, Helene personifies the joy and sorrow of life.

In common with his last two films (*New Year's Day* and *Someone To Love*), *Eating* is endlessly gabby, infinitely interesting and seemingly improvisational. But *Eating*, though uneven in places, is not patchy. It is, like his previous films, provocative and thoughtful.

**SNIPPETS...**

*Spartacus*, Stanley Kubrick's 1960 epic of a Roman slave revolt, has been restored, lengthened and reissued. Having seen it when I was a teenager, I was curious at how I would react to it some 30 years later.

Though slightly too long and occasionally theatrical, *Spartacus* remains in a rarefied class with epics such as *Ben Hur* and *Lawrence of Arabia*. It should be recalled that *Spartacus* won four Academy Awards — for best supporting actor, art direction, costume design and cinematography. The opening scene, shot in the mountains of Spain, is simply magnificent. The battle scenes are surprisingly precise and riveting.

Kirk Douglas, his cleft chin well in evidence, portrays the stubborn, steely-eyed Thracian who leads the rebellion against his imperious Roman masters. Laurence Olivier is an arrogant Roman senator. Charles Laughton is a canny backroom politician. Peter Ustinov is a cynical slave trader. Jean Simmons, whose resemblance to Elizabeth Taylor is nothing short of remarkable, is the slave woman with the plummy British accent who falls in love with Spartacus.

Now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, *Spartacus* summons up an era in filmmaking when epics were all the rage.

In *Oscar*, a farce now playing at Famous Players theatres, Kirk Douglas appears in a cameo as a wizened, slap-happy old man on his death bed who implores his nattily-dressed son, Sylvester Stallone, to give up the rackets and go straight. Stallone, who portrays a vigorous character named Angelo (Snaps) Provolone, exhibits a wry sense of humor in a bracing screwball comedy of mistaken identity, interchangeable luggage and coincidence.

Martin Ferrero and Harry Shearer are wonderful as twin brothers who cater to Provolone's sartorial needs. Ornella Muti is excellent as his wife. Vincent Spano is quite audacious as Provolone's nervy accountant.

*Oscar*, though leaden here and there, is largely sprightly and appealing. It must be admitted that Stallone, who made his name in the *Rocky* and *Rambo* pictures, has an engaging flair for comedy.

**NOTE:** The Jewish International Film Series is under way in Vancouver at the Pacific Cinematheque, 1131 Howe St, and runs until June 24. For information, phone 266-0245 in Vancouver.

# *Hadassah chapters to sponsor exhibition to aid Israeli children*

**TORONTO —** The 39th Annual Aviva Art Show, one of Toronto's most prestigious exhibitions and auctions of contemporary Canadian Art, will be held on Sunday, May 26, at the Joseph D. Carrier Art Gallery, located in the Columbus Centre at 901 Lawrence Ave. W.

This juried show, featuring original works on paper and canvas, sculpture, graphics, and photography, is sponsored by the Aviva and B'Not Aviva Chapters of Hadassah-WIZO. The purpose of the show is to support and promote Canadian art and to support Hadassah-WIZO services in their humanitarian work with children in Israel.

This year's show will be on preview at the Joseph D. Carrier Gallery to May 26. The gallery hours are: Monday and Friday, 9:30 - 5 p.m., Tuesday - Thursday, 9:30 - 8:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 10 - 5 p.m.

On May 26, the show will open at 6 p.m. with a wine and hors d'oeuvres reception at which time guests can preview the art and begin placing their bids on art in the silent auction.

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# Novelists Fielding and Berger want more respect

By
FRANK RASKY

This week I'd like to compare two Jewish female novelists who, in many ways, are remarkably alike success stories.

They're both bright and beautiful Torontonians, each in their early 40s, who are highly literate university graduates.

Both come from middle-class Jewish Reform homes, raised by arts-loving parents.

Both have published new novels this month. And in literary terms, the most important thing they have in common is this:

Both want more respect. They're fed up with high-brow critics who dismiss their well-crafted best-sellers as "bubblegum for the brain" — Harlequin-style "beauty parlor books."

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Let's begin with **Joy Fielding**, who says, "I'd rather please millions of readers than a handful of pedantic critics."

Her new hardcover thriller is titled *See Jane Run* (Stoddart; 364 pages; $26.95). It's the ninth of her novels, which have altogether sold five million copies. And it's probably her most suspenseful page-turner in the **Alfred Hitchcock** tradition.

It was picked as a main selection of the Literary Guild book club. And film rights have been bought by Hollywood star **Sally Field**.

Like Fielding's previous one-million-copy best-seller, *Kiss Mommy Goodbye* (about a divorced man who abuses his ex-wife and kidnaps their two children), it's known in the trade as a "domestic terror thriller," involving a deceitful spouse and a broken marriage.

The first sentence in her new book entices you to read on: "One afternoon in late spring, Jane Whittaker went to the store for some milk and eggs and forgot who she was. . ." She is that classic cliche figure from soap operas, an amnesiac with a lurid past. But Fielding denies it's formula fiction.

"I take average women and put them in non-average situations," she says. "I ask myself, 'How would I react if I were in that dilemma?' "

Yet she is by no means an average, dilettante housewife who dabbles in fiction as a sideline. "I'm a determined, disciplined professional," says the attractive, curly-haired redhead, who admits she takes relaxation therapy to calm her high-strung temperament.

Working a minimum of three hours a day on her Macintosh computer, it takes her six months to produce a novel. She is also a devoted mother to her two daughters, **Shannon**, 15, and **Annie**, 12. She has been married for 17 years to **Warren**, a Toronto corporate lawyer, and confides, "Sure, we have fights, and there are moments when I feel like killing him, but I'd never leave him." With her family, she divides her time between their palatial homes in mid-Toronto and Palm Springs, Fla.

**Joy Fielding**

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Joy Tepperman, to use her maiden name, is the product of Toronto's "gilded ghetto," Forest Hill Village. Her parents, both dead, bathed her in affection and admiration. Her father was a supportive wholesale jewelry salesman and her forceful mother encouraged Joy's creativity with the maxim, "Speak up. If you don't ask, you won't get."

Fielding says her Judaism has "given me a sense of belonging and influenced my way of looking at the world."

What induced her to write novels? "I was born with an active imagination, and I played with dolls and cutouts until I was 14," she says. "As a novelist, I'm still playing with my cutouts, and I'm still having fun manipulating their imagined lives."

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Novelist **Nomi Berger** says her goal when writing is "to touch people, to open up windows for them, to educate them, and to give them a juicy good read."

Her new novel is an epic rags-to-riches saga titled *Dreams To Keep*. It's published as an original paperback by Bantam in the United States and simultaneously in Canada by Seal Books (501 pages; $5.99).

It's the seventh of her paperbacks, which have sold over a million copies, in countries that include Germany, Norway, Denmark and England. Her last novel, *So Many Promises* (about a concert pianist from the slums of New York forced to decide between a career or love) had a print run of 500,000 copies in the U.S. alone.

The glamorous career woman in her present novel is her first Jewish heroine. A combination of vengeance and love story, it's the tale of a child of the Holocaust, hidden in a convent of the Polish resistance, who eventually escapes to New York. There the gutsy entrepreneur builds a tiny catering company into a flourishing gourmet food chain. She tracks down the man who put her family into the Treblinka death camp. And she winds up discovering true love.

Partly because she's such a perfectionist, it took Berger three years to research, and then sweat out the writing and rewriting of her epic on a word processor.

**Nomi Berger**

Two things distinguish this melodramatic but beautifully written saga that ranges from the Warsaw ghetto to pioneering Israel and the glittering skyline of Manhattan. I liked the poetic quality of her prose and the depth of feeling of her characters.

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"There are certain bits of me in all my heroines," says the striking-looking divorcee, with amber eyes, a helmet of dark tawny hair, and an assertive manner. "My heroines are usually loners, outsiders, outcasts. They refuse to be someone's shadow. Like me, they're obsessive workaholics. They live by their own rules, and are resolved to overcome every obstacle to get what they want."

A Montrealer who moved to Toronto in 1983, she says she was strongly motivated to become a superachiever like the other members of the Berger clan. Her late father, **Eli Michael Berger**, was an eminent immigration lawyer, an "idealist" who was a leader of Montreal's Jewish community. Her uncle, **Sam Berger**, was the former owner of the Montreal Alouettes football team. Her cousin, **David Berger**, is a Liberal MP.

And she is proud of inheriting the "famous Berger wit," so characteristic of her 72-year-old mother, **Miriam**, "who is one of life's merriest sparklers."

Nomi, now active with the Toronto business and professional women's chapter of ORT, was a former public relations director of Montreal's Jewish General Hospital. She served her apprenticeship in mastering prose when graduating with a BA in journalism from the American University in Washington, D.C.

"I continue to get a high whenever I write a good sentence that conveys a poetic image," she says.

**Judy Silver**

Why did she become a novelist?

"As a girl, I loved drawing pictures of fairy princesses," she says, unwittingly echoing **Joy Fielding**. "Later I looked at the ugliness of the world, and I preferred to draw pretty pictures. I'm still doing it, re-ordering my private world of fantasy and peopling it with beautiful, bigger-than-life heroines."

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My tip of the hat goes to the following Jewish creators in the arts.

Mazel tov to **Judy Silver**, director and co-playwright (with Toronto writer **Dolly Reisman** of *Nothing But The Truth*; it's a powerful drama about anti-Semitism in a Canadian high school, which the Young Company of the Leah Posluns Theatre School will present May 29 until June 2 at its Studio Theatre, 4588 Bathurst (636-1880). Silver is best known for her original comedies for young people such as *They Don't Make Rubber Chickens Like They Used To*. Student stars in the production include **Michael Bederman** and **Neshama Carlebach**.

**Dana Glassman**, a 15-year-old former student at Toronto's Koffler School of Dance, will join ballet dancers from the Quinte Dance Centre based in Belleville, Ont., in a program of modern jazz and classical ballet works June 1 and 2 at the Leah Posluns Theatre (636-1880). Also performing as guest artist is **Gizella Witkowsky**, principal dancer of the National Ballet of Canada.

Yorkminstrels singers and dancers **Isabel Hornstein, Sandi Horwitz, Gail Klebanoff** and **Joanne Blake** will perform in *Broadway Babies*, a fund-raising musical for the Clarke Institute's schizophrenics program, May 25 at Aldwyn B. Stokes Auditorium, 250 College St. (498-8719).

**Louise Garfield**

**Judy Siblin-Rakoff** is doing a splendid job as emcee of *In The Spotlight*, the new Rogers Cable Community 10 television series on the performing arts, running until July 5. It's telecast Fridays at 7 and 9 p.m., with repeats on Saturdays at 12 noon and Sundays at 8:30 p.m. Meanwhile, her husband, **Simon Rakoff**, TV and screenplay writer, is trying to launch a career in Los Angeles. Judy's interview with comedian **Frank Shuster** and 40-year-old National Ballet of Canada star **Karen Kain** (who was so dazzling last week in the title role of *Sleeping Beauty*) demonstrate that she's a good listener and an intelligent questioner.

**Judy Siblin-Rakoff**

And congratulations to **Louise Garfield**, co-founder of the spoof all-women band, The Clichettes, who was chosen to be one of the 1991 students of professional film production at the Canadian Centre for Advanced Film Studies, founded four years ago by Toronto and Hollywood filmmaker **Norman Jewison**.

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I bow out with this exit line from **Oscar Wilde** whose stage comedy had recently flopped:

"The play was a great success, but the audience was a disaster."

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# Travel

## Sun's harmful rays filtered out

# *Dead Sea health spas help to heal what ails you*

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

"The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like and do what you'd rather not." That was legendary wit Mark Twain's route to fitness . . . and boredom.

But I've found another route to health and happiness. A return visit to one of the Dead Sea spas in Israel, Sonesta on the Dead Sea health spa and resort.

As in many other countries in the world, spas have mushroomed here. But with more valid reason. It's said that King Solomon recognized the health giving properties of the hot springs and the reputed beauty, Cleopatra, used the thermo mineral springs for her beauty regime. Who'd argue with these well documented testimonials?

Granted, these spas are very different from the North American style with their strong emphasis on exercise. But the end results are like suddenly discovering a huge bank balance. Who cares how it got there? The wonderful thing is that it's there. So it is with these unfrenzied, de-stressing spas.

Remember that the Dead Sea is the lowest spot on earth, 400 metres below sea level. It's a region which has the most thermal and climatic properties for what ails you. And the naturally endowed region has the calming and healing effects which also combine beauty treatments.

Firstly, this area has an enormously high content of minerals and salts in the water. As everyone knows, you don't swim in the Dead Sea, you float . . . without even trying.

There's also a high bromide content in the air, which is said to have a calming effect on the nervous system.

By now everyone also knows how harmful the sun's rays are on skin, but because of the high atmospheric pressure and the minerals which evaporate from the sea, the two form a filtered haze cutting out damaging rays. As a matter of fact, a side benefit is that these filtered rays, together with the Dead Sea water, are a source of treatment for various skin diseases.

Now onto the available treatments. Since I've been having facials for decades, as they say, I know a facial from a facial. And what I got was Leah, one of the most knowledgeable technicians I've yet to meet.

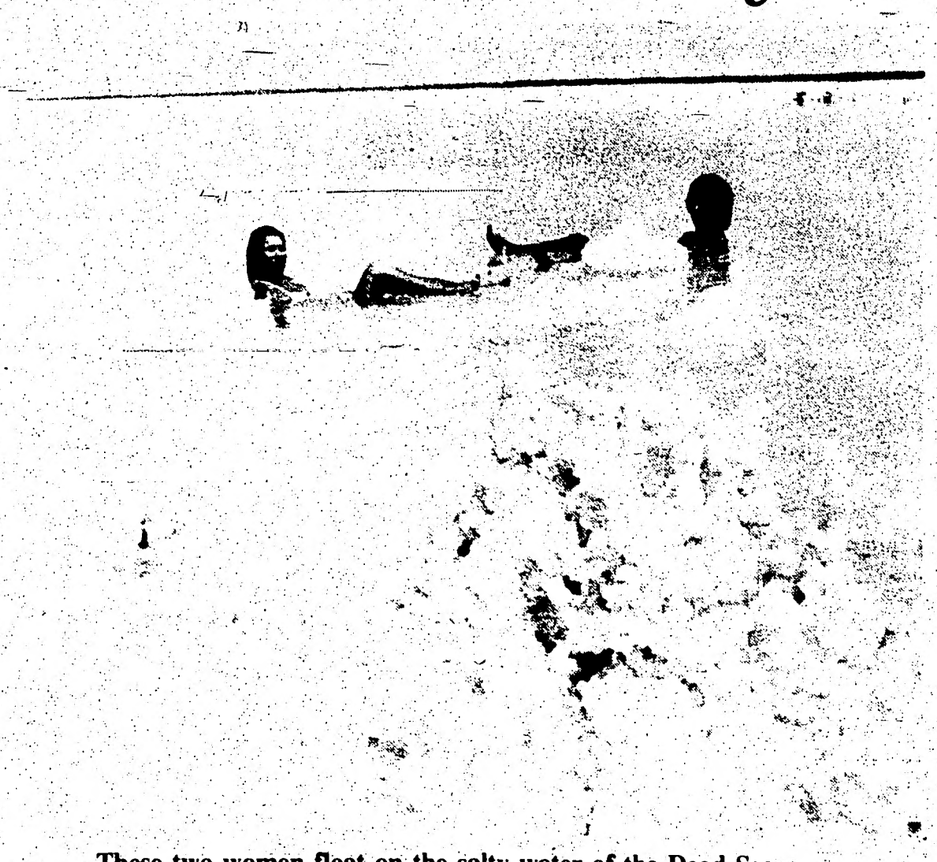
After sizing up the type of skin ("no steam, your skin is too sensitive and that's how broken capillaries start") she mixed creams for the first step . . . peeling off the dead cells. Then a thorough cleansing. Unlike her North American counterparts, after the deep cleaning, Leah prepared and lathered on a suitable masque. The massage (in this case a half hour) came last and included great attention to the eyes and forehead area plus strong massage on the back of the neck and the upper back. (Approximately $70 for 1½ hours.)

The other facilities are the sulphur springs (two pools are available at different temperatures) and recommended for guests with rheumatic ailments. Of course, there are the whirlpools and a sauna plus an outdoor fresh water swimming pool.

For firming, there's an up to date high tech fitness room. A variety of massages are offered.

"A good massage improves blood circulation, balances the skin, relaxes tense muscles and leaves you with a feeling of well being," said Yael Shazar, the spa manager whose own shiny alabaster skin was testimony itself.

Shiatzo ($35); Sea Salt Glow ($7); Reflexology ($17), classic massage (1 hour $38, ½ hour $20); G-5 Vibro massage ($20), said to rid you of that dreaded cellulite; and that wonder of wonders, full body mud pack ($20), great for those with rheumatic, muscle and joint pains, but super for healthier, fresher and younger looking skin.



These two women float on the salty water of the Dead Sea.

Along with the long list of massages the other water treatments include thalassotherapy ($20) using sea water; hydrotherapy (includes drinking fresh mineral water, water sprayed jets of various strengths and baths, $25); herbal extract or essential oil baths ($10) used for sinuses, colds and other respiratory system ailments. It's especially recommended for smokers.

The hotel facilities are extremely modern with 200 rooms. They don't encourage day trippers. A doctor and three nurses are on staff.

A new diet program has just been introduced and will be separated from the regular goodies. And probably the best lesson learned here is discipline.

If you can resist the decadent looking cake counter, you're well on your way to a new svelte and healthy you.

# Jewish communities on agenda of fall tour to South America

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — While it isn't known whether Jews had any role in the discovery of Iguazu, the spectacular South American waterfall is nevertheless a key stop on an upcoming Jewish Discovery Tour of South America.

More than four kilometres wide and with 274 cataracts, the awesome falls that was featured in the movie *The Mission* is certainly one of the world's great wonders.

And so no wonder it is a key stop on the tour's 14-day itinerary, that includes visits with Jews in three South American countries, Shabbat services, nightclub outings, time for power-shopping and tours of the jewel in the Brazilian crown — Rio de Janiero.

Unlike other packages to South America, this is not a "beach tour," said Sandi Sparkes, director of First National Travel, which is organizing the trip.

The visit, as it is now planned, will afford the opportunity to visit Jewish communities in Chile, Argentina and Brazil, and learn how they contributed and continue to contribute to the societies in which they live.

The tour, the first of its kind offered by First National, begins in Santiago, Chile, where participants will meet local community leaders and tour the city, and then move on to Buenos Aires, Argentina's capital.

A special Shabbat kiddush with the congregation of Temple Beth El is planned.

Buenos Aires, which specializes in fine leather products, offers the opportunity to shop for high quality clothing. Some of the fine leather shops offer various brands of leather goods: regular calf's leather (soft), kidskin (very soft) and (this is no misprint) the unborn — the hide of unborn calves that can be as soft as cloth.

In the evening, participants can relax and enjoy the passionate posturing and intricate footwork of premiere tango dancers at La Veda club.

Other stops include Jewish centres and schools in Buenos Aires and Sao Paulo as well as tours of Rio's famous beach districts of Leblon, Ipanema and Copacabana.

The tour departs Toronto on Tuesday, Nov. 5. For more information, contact Sheila Raskin at First National Travel at 886-2800.

Rio's famed Sugar Loaf mountain dominates the skyline of this beautiful seaside city. [Paul Lungen photo]

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# TRAVEL TALK

By
LEN BUTCHER

What would life be without gossip? Fortunately, we'll never have to know as long as there are people like you and me around. Which brings me to my first item.

Someone, apparently, has been spreading rumors as far north as this country we call home, that **Caribbean Hotel** on **Miami Beach** is no longer operated by the **Schechter** family. Now, I ask you, is that kosher? Obviously not, but the hotel is and the **Schechters** had this to say:

"The **Caribbean Hotel** has been operated by the family for a long time and will continue, G-d willing, for many more years." All right! Let's hear it for the **Schechters.**

And pssst. Come in a little closer. I hear it from my good friend **Sandi Beach** that the hotel will open for the summer season June 25 and will remain open through the **High Holy Days** and **Sukkot.**

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Remember last week when I told you I would feature some of the high spots to visit in **Israel.** Well, the **Butcher Man** wont let you down. Only eight kilometres from the country's northern border is the seaside resort of **Nahariyya**, a favorite among newlyweds.

Why? I don't know. I was too shy to ask. But, hey, there must be something in that sea air that will probably do you a lot of good as well.

For those of you who have seen *Jaws* too many times, there are several swimming pools along the beach. If your girlfriend or wife bought you a spiffy tank top and white ducks and you were wondering where the hell you'd ever wear them, relax.

Sailing is one of the most popular activities at **Nahariyya** with both locals and tourists. And if you can't sail, have someone strap you to the mast with your arm pointing starboard (or is it aft?). Anyway, in the direction the boat's going. By doing this, not only do you look good, but you look like you know what you're doing.

For the more daring, the town has also become an international wind-surfing centre.

But **Butcher Man,** what if I'm as old and out of shape as you are? What's there for me?

Glad you asked, big mouth. This pretty town, split by a quiet canal, is lined with charming sidewalk cafes where you can just sit back, enjoy the sun and sights and listen to your heart slowly beat.

All kidding aside, if you haven't been, make it a must stop on this year's visit to **Israel.**

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And while I'm talking about **Israel,** more good news. **TWA** will resume flights to **Israel** June 1. The flights were suspended when the **Gulf War** started in January. **TWA** flies from **New York** to **Tel Aviv** via **Paris.**

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If you're planning to drive anywhere in **Canada** on your vacation this year, then take along an extra passenger. It's called the **Canadian Book of the Road (Reader's Digest, $39.95).** This 428-page book covers 48,000 km of major highways and little-known routes off the beaten tracks. And it doesn't nag at you when you get lost.

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Got those between season blahs? Hockey's still on the tube but who wants to be reminded of winter? The **Blue Jays** are winning, but to get good seats and take the family will cost you a C-note or more. You look in the mirror and realize your life, like last year's battery, needs a bit of a jump start.

I think I've got the answer if you can hang in for a few more weeks. On June 19, the 11th annual **Whitewater Wednesday** takes place on the wet and wild **New River** in **West Virginia.** It's a 14-mile adventure you won't want to miss.

The cost is $70 U.S. per person or $450 for a raft of eight. If you've got seven other friends as nuts as you, then save some money. This price includes coffee and donuts (just what you need before your stomach goes on a roller-coaster ride), lunch on the river, transportation, professional guides (are they trying to tell you something?), 24, count 'em, rapids, all you can eat cookout (only if you've survived the trip), refreshments and entertainment.

For reservations call (304)465-5617. Full payment has to be received by June 1. I know this doesn't give you much time, but only decisive people do things like this. Happy rafting.

# Chabad Lubavitch thrives in Hong Kong community

By
BILL GLADSTONE

**HONG KONG —**

To many members of the small Jewish community in this dynamic, business-oriented city of six million along the South China coast, LIFE Magazine has a whole different meaning than the famous glossy American photographic magazine that graces newsstands around the world.

The editor of Hong Kong's LIFE Magazine is Rabbi Mordechai Avtzon, formerly of Detroit, who explains that LIFE is an acronym for Lubavitch In the Far East.

"It's a take-off of the other Life Magazine," he says. "It's a magazine of Jewish thought, humor and history that comes out at least quarterly, and sometimes five or six times a year."

About 500 names on the magazine's subscription list indicate a wide distribution within the community. There are between 600 and 700 Jewish residences in Hong Kong, Rabbi Avtzon estimates, of which "many are families and some are singles."

Since arriving in this fast-paced commercial hub of Asia about six years ago as Chabad's representative in the Far East, the American rabbi has been attempting to increase the spiritual awareness of the tiny Jewish community.

Asked the size of the active community, Rabbi Avtzon responds with a question. "Does receiving our magazine or paying dues to our Jewish Club mean having a connection? We have about 200 or 250 members in our club, but the subscription list to our magazine is much bigger. We put everybody on the mailing list in the hope that they'll see the magazine, take an interest and get involved."

For such a small community, Hong Kong Jews have an impressive club. It is located at 33 Queen's Rd. Central, near the location of the former club on Robinson Road that was torn down two years ago.

Its two kosher restaurants attract many visitors from around the world, as does Ohel Leah, the synagogue in the upscale Mid-levels section of Hong Kong Island, partway up Victoria Peak. A second congregation meets daily in the Hilton Hotel downtown.

"In general terms, the community has experienced a tremendous renaissance and rediscovery of its Jewish roots and its connection to the rest of the Jewish world in the last five to six years," Rabbi Avtzon comments. "Five and a half years ago, there was no daily minyan and even a Shabbat minyan was a struggle."

Today, the Jewish community of Hong Kong "is still within its growing phase," he says. "It doesn't yet have a proper infrastructure. We're getting there but we're still not there yet."

Many members of the community show an increased interest in observing Shabbat, visiting Israel and learning more about their Jewish heritage, he says. And he expresses hope that the Jewish preschool founded last year will evolve into a larger school as the children grow older.

A city with a breathtaking skyline, bustling harbor, booming local economy and unemployment rate that is almost non-existent, Hong Kong is very much caught up with itself and its former pace. Most of its population is Chinese.

In this dynamic Manhattan of the Orient, many people carry portable phones and beepers wherever they go. Everybody works incessantly, trying to get ahead. Most stores and offices are open six days a week.

"Many (Jewish) people here are caught up in the Hong Kong syndrome," Rabbi Avtzon says. "There's a very strong work ethic here where nothing is more important than having a good career. At the end of the day they still have a certain thirst for getting to their Jewish roots, and they can't quite get at them.

"It's almost like an addiction. Some people believe, to the great detriment of their family and personal lives, that their careers come before anything else. And they focus their lives around inanimate objects. They aren't ready for the simple, unsophisticated message that keeping Shabbat is important."

# *Empress Palace among Singapore restorations*

**SINGAPORE —**

The faithfully restored Empress Place typifies Singapore's penchant for detailed planning extended to the many conservation projects throughout this tiny Republic.

Beginning in 1986, an ambitious $575-million (Cdn.) conservation plan for the many ethnic and cultural areas of Singapore received the official government stamp of approval.

Before any planning took place, a team of experts toured the United States and France to examine firsthand good examples of conservation work, with respect to both the quality of the restorations and of the written ordinances.

Since that time the areas known as Chinatown, Little India, the Singapore River, Tanjong Pagar and the British Colonial Heritage Link area have been earmarked under the current heritage conservation program and undergone various degrees of restoration to preserve the fascinating flavor of Singapore's past.

Part of the impressive vestige of the British colonial era, Empress Place was the first in the Heritage Link area to be preserved. It was not a mere face lift.

Built in 1864, Empress Place is now a world-class museum and exhibition centre meeting strict international standards for temperatures and humidity control, lighting, security and fire safety.

For 14 months, an international and local team of skilled conservationists and craftsmen combined their skills to painstakingly restore this neoclassical building while simultaneously modernizing amenities. Empress Place now stands as the first shining example of Singapore's fastidious attention to detailed authenticity.

Other cultural restorations in the British Colonial Heritage Link area include the 101-year-old National Museum completed in 1990 which represented the fifth major conservation project in less than two years and the former school building of the Convent of the Holy Infant which has become an arts centre.

At nearby Raffles Hotel, a legend will soon reemerge. Following an $86-million (Cdn.) renovation and redevelopment of adjacent property, Raffles Hotel, the grand dame of the East is set to reopen Fall 1991.

The original hotel portion will be restored to the period of the 1920s and 1930s with the adjacent property featuring shops, food outlets, a Raffles Museum and a cultural and historical theatre.

In other cultural areas of Singapore, residential and shopping districts are being faithfully restored to preserve the traditional everyday life of Singaporeans.

Restoration of over 200 shophouses in the Tanjong Pagar area are fine examples of Singapore's unique Peranakan and ethnic architecture. Most of the structures are two storey with ornate plaster mouldings and intricate detailed facades, doric columns and double French louvred doors colorfully painted to be at once fanciful and practical.

The distinctly Singaporean "five wide" covered walkway runs in front of the shophouse rows and is a remnant of a late 19th century ordinance that provided a 'five foot wide' covered walkway to shield shoppers from the sun and short tropical showers.

In Chinatown, traditional two storey shophouses have been restored where shop owners sell their wares on the ground floor and live on the second floor.

Washing on bamboo poles and song birds in intricately carved cages hanging from upper storey windows are just a glimpse of how life in Chinatown has been lived for over a century.

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# HOME BEAUTIFUL

In a windowless room, the artist can create a mural that portrays a garden scene or for more elaborate tastes, a picture of the French Riviera can be painted.

# *Artist creates murals to fool the eye ...*

By
WENDY ROSEN

Since time immemorial, color has always been able to enhance space and uplift or sooth the spirit.

This dual purpose has remained constant as styles and colors come and go.

As well, color splashes — usually in the form of paintings — allow individuals to reflect their tastes in their space.

For the more adventurous of spirit, murals or faux fininshes can help transform space.

Ian Leventhal is a Toronto-based artist who creates murals in both traditional and trompe l'oeil (literally, fool the eye) styles. Trompe l'oeil is generally where windows are painted on a wall through which one creates the illusion of an outdoor scene.

Leventhal says he can paint on many surfaces — stone, stucco, brick, tin or other metals.

"You can even paint over wallpaper, if you have to," he said, adding that this situation occurs when the walls are in poor condition. If one were to strip the paper, it would result in a massive plastering job or the need for drywall.

"You can use existing architecture or mistakes and incorporate them into the murals ... painting on wallpaper, for instance, would give it texture."

Leventhal, who has been muraling since 1979, says in the last few years there has been a dramatic increase in the number of residential commissions.

## "Theatrical way to alter space"

"People are ready for something different. They also have confidence in themselves to be their own decorator and create their own visions," he said.

"Murals, especially trompe l'oeil, will appeal to those people who are not afraid to make a complete change. A painting will not change a room; it will enhance it or accessorize it.

"A mural will totally change a room because of the subject or colors.

"It's a more theatrical and dramatic way in which you can change space. It's not a total redecoration, but it's a total transformation."

Leventhal said for each commissioned piece he interviews the client to discover their tastes before he suggests anything.

"If I read them right, I'm usually successful with the product. Artwork is so personal, you have to be dead on with what you're offering them."

He attributes the large demand for outdoor scenes to Canada's long, cold winter.

"People just want to bring the outside in. Six months of the year, there's no greenery and people crave it. With a painting, you can create that feeling with no maintenance."

For instance, in a windowless dining room in a condominium, he created a trompe l'oeil of the French Riviera across three walls. The mural looks like a terrace on a hill overlooking the sea on one side; from another, one has a view of a village with the mountains in the background.

The client had tried painting the wall white — this normally makes a room airier, but this failed. The trompe l'oeil landscape was the only way, he said.

For an antique collector who prefered monochromatic colors, he utilized the antique cherubs already in the bathroom as his inspiration of a parody of European baroque style. In black and white, two cherubs hold a photograph of a Bette Midler-type Venus surrounded by bubbles.

Murals are not limited to opening space indoors.

One of his clients had a large beautiful pool in the backyard. However, a blank grey wall was highly visible from one vantage point.

It was a Georgian-style house so Leventhal created faux arches in stonework and supporting Ionic columns between which is a fantasy landscape in a romantic English setting. In the horizon there's even a Temple of Love.

If one isn't this adventurous but does want something out of the ordinary, faux finisher Neil Stroud of Stroud Design says there are a whole range of techniques which can enhance paint.

Stroud says in terms of finishes, "if you can think it up, we can usually think of a way of doing it."

Although his special effects are usually on walls, they can also be done on ceilings and floors. One popular effect on ceilings to make them seem larger is to create an abstract sky and cloud effect in blue, which he did at the SkyDome.

These finishes are an artform that goes back hundreds of years, he said. For instance, the Japanese loved tortoise shell but you can't put it on walls. However, you can paint that effect.

Painting and stenciling can make a bland wood look rich. It can also make a cheaper wood look more expensive, he said, adding that faux finishes at one time were an alternative to exotic woods.

Stroud, who has operated Stroud Designs in Thornhill for the past five years, said the concept that a white ceiling will make a room look airier is a fallacy.

"If there are strong colors on the walls, leaving the ceiling white detracts from the effect and makes the room look bland. I just did one in burnished gold with a border around it.

"The major advantage of faux finishes over wallpaper is that you can create something unique because it's hand done, there's no repetition."

He explained that distressed finishes can give a wall depth unlike a wall

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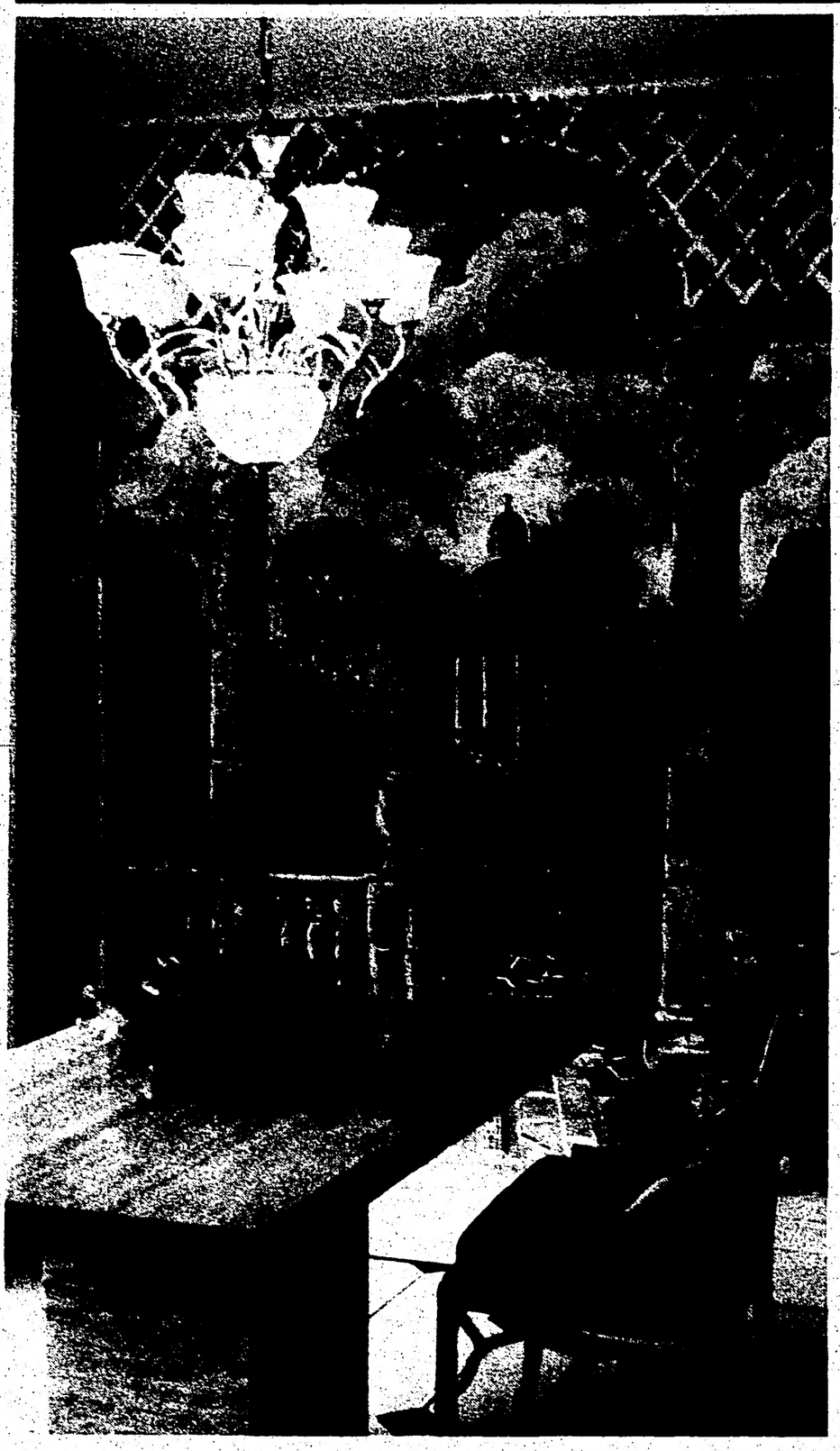

A major reason for using faux finishes is that the end product is unique.

Variations of colors may be used on doors and archways to give them more depth and character.

## ...and appease the mind

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with just a couple of coats of paint. It softens the whole appearance and makes it appear not as flat.

To achieve the desired look for one client, he glazed a wall. Glazing is translucent color layers randomly applied and then softened and manipulated to create a natural effect.

After the wall was primed, it was painted twice in a ground color, then a purple glaze was rolled on and, utilizing a rag, removed with by rubbing the glaze until the wall looks like leather.

A glaze can also be used to emphasize the panels in a door. A lightish color is applied to the whole door, then a darker shade is applied and then rubbed over in the panels.

"If there are irregularities or a deep grain, more paint will stay. The dark sits in the depressions and gives the door more depth and character.

"It makes doors and trim look ritzier than they really are. Finishes make the most of normal things."

Stroud said finishes give a one-of-a kind look. As well, finishes can be integrated with the client's possessions or color scheme or be made the focus.

Faux finishes allow people to use stronger colors and not feel closed in. As an example, he did one white kitchen that had black appliances, a black-and-white ceramic floor and a northern exposure.

He painted a silver metallic going to pewtar on the walls and ceiling. The trim around the large bay window was painted hot rust with silver accents.

"The room would have been delineated harshly if we had used white on the ceiling. Often darker colors makes a room feel more open — within reason. Color co-ordinating ceiling, walls and trims is highly neglected."


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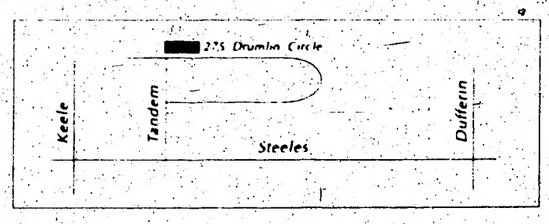


# HOME BEAUTIFUL

ELEGANT FURNISHINGS

**The walls and high ceiling of this music/games room were painted black to create a dramatic backdrop to the elegant furnishings.**

# *Bedroom becomes a hub of activity*

Remember when the bedroom was just for sleeping? Well, for many people with demanding lifestyles and space constraints, this room has become a hub of activity. It can be the perfect escape to enjoy a hobby, get a little work done at your desk or just sit and think.

Creating the multipurpose bedroom takes a little careful planning and basic knowledge of furniture arrangement. The first thing to do is to consider the three basic points of decorating — function, space and traffic.

Function concerns what you want to be able to do in your bedroom. Will it be your at-home office as well as your sleeping quarters? Do you want a seating area for relaxing, reading or watching television?

Next, consider the space itself — its shape and the location of doors and windows. Note any special features like a fireplace or bay window, that could serve as a natural focal point (or you may want to emphasize your bed as the focal point). If the room has furniture in it, try to picture it as an empty space or get some graph paper and plot it out.

Finally, study the room's traffic patterns — the paths people take naturally in moving around the room — and decide whether you want to redirect traffic.

Once you've considered function, space and traffic, it's time to look at floor coverings. Think of the floor as the fifth wall of your bedroom. It joins the surrounding walls and forms the background against which your furnishings will be displayed.

Wall-to-wall carpeting is a natural choice for a multipurpose bedroom because it gives the room a sense of warmth, comfort and continuity. Consider a plush cut-pile texture for a luxurious look and feel.

## Emphasize durability

Besides looks and luxury, other important considerations are durability and easy maintenance. Nylon is the most durable carpet fibre, offering better wear performance than wool or polyester. Du Pont Antron nylon offers excellent durability, soil- and stain-resistance and static control at a competitive price. Antron is available in a wide variety of colors, patterns and textures to complement your bedroom decor.

Another crucial consideration for creating an attractive and useful multipurpose bedroom is furniture placement. Remember to leave comfortable space for movement. As a general rule, keep large pieces of furniture, like a triple dresser, the bed or an armoire, parallel or perpendicular to walls. Pull out smaller pieces, like an armchair, chaise or small table, into the centre of the room.

In your work areas, take advantage of available light by placing your desk or reading/hobby-related furniture near a window. Also, remember that every seating piece requires a table within easy reach for lamps, the phone and other things you know you'll be needing.

Group your furniture into distinct areas for sleeping, reading, relaxing and working and then plan these groupings to allow plenty of room to move around and between them.

Following these simple guidelines can help you create a bedroom that suits your function, space and traffic needs and satisfied your active lifestyle.

# Chandelier can change a room

Hanging a chandelier over a dining table where there is none, or replacing an outdated fixture, will completely change the look of the room.

It can also add sparkle and drama to your home for a modest cost.

Dining room lighting must be flexible enough to add the proper level of lighting and mood as a formal dinner or a family get-together.

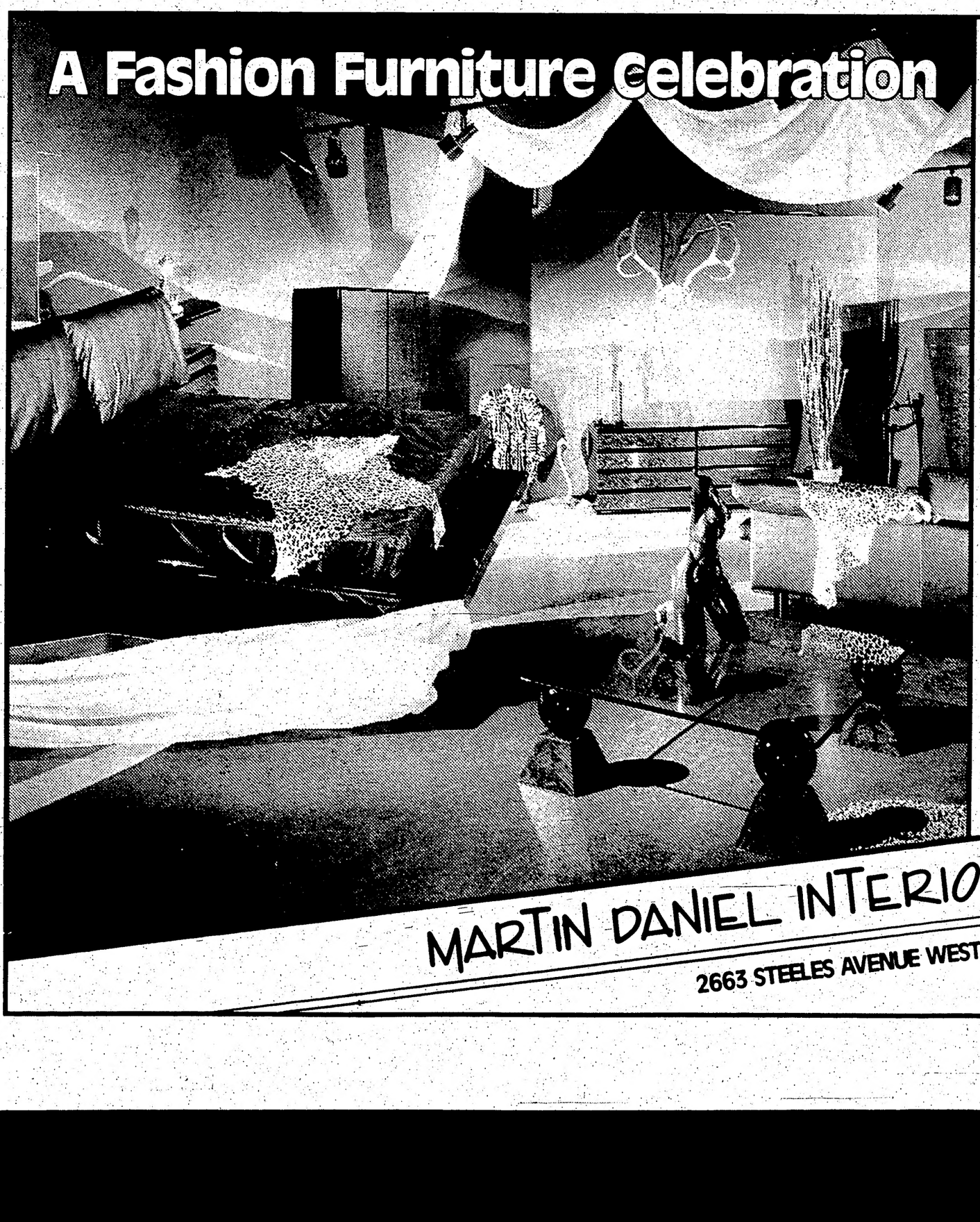
Additionally, in many households, the dining table also is used for other activities such as homework, hobbies and family bookkeeping. The room, therefore, must be adequately lighted to do it all comfortably, and look good doing it.

A chandelier with bulbs totaling about 200 to 300 watts is usually the heart of dining room lighting plans. Consider one with a built-in concealed downlight for 'task' light focused directly on a table's surface.

In a room that is 10 feet wide or less, a chandelier usually should not be larger than about two feet in diameter. It should be 12 inches narrower than your table so people don't bump their heads upon arising. The bottom of the chandelier should be 30 inches above the table, out of the line of sight when people are seated.

If the room's ceiling is more than eight feet high, raise the chandelier three inches for each additional foot of ceiling height. Always install a dimmer to control the light level and establish mood.

A chandelier should never provide the only light in the dining room. It should be supplemented with additional light sources.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"For anyone who enjoys doing home improvement projects, Lexan sheet is ideal," says Richard Reeves, Lexan product specialist. "It's easy to cut and shape. You don't need any expensive equipment . . . conventional woodworking tools are all that's required."

The sheets come with protective paper masking to prevent scratching during all machining and fabrication operations. Detailed, easy-to-follow instructions are printed on the protective paper. The thermoplastic sheet can be cut to the exact size required with a hacksaw, tablesaw, jigsaw or bandsaw. Drilling is done with standard high-speed drills. The edges of the sheets can be sanded or filed, and the corners can be mitred. When hand tools are used, the material should be firmly clamped to the work table.

Following installation, glazing compound and masking paper adhesive can be easily removed. Regular cleaning and maintenance is accomplished with window cleaner or dish washing liquid.

Transportation, handling and installation of the material is easy because it is lightweight. And it's so tough, you don't have to worry about hitting a pothole in the road on the way home.

It's also energy efficient — the glazing material provides 16 per cent better thermal resistance than the equivalent thickness of glass.

This tough new material could also protect your home from burglary or vandalism.

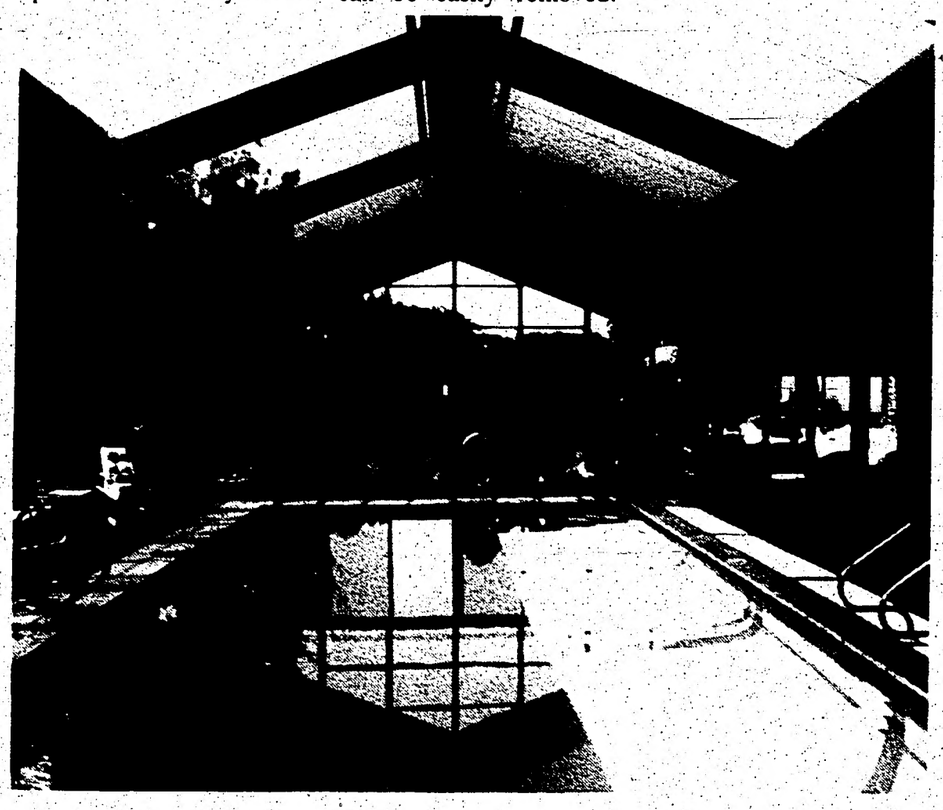
Every year, thieves break into more than 200,000 Canadian homes and the number of burglaries is increasing annually. Seventy-two per cent of all break-ins occur through glass areas. Police say many of these break-ins would be prevented if homeowners took a few simple security measures. The installation of deadbolt locks is one solution and now, LEXAN sheet is available to deter thieves who gain access to homes by smashing doors and windows.

"Lexan Sheet is up to 250 times stronger than glass. Even if you hit a Lexan window with a hammer, it won't break or crack," said Reeves.

Lexan sheet was previously available only for industrial, commercial and institutional applications. A specialized form of the product has been used at penitentiaries because these sheets are tough enough to resist a hail of bullets.

By buying quality locks and replacing door and window glass with Lexan, homeowners wil discourage most thieves — at a fraction of the cost of an elaborate security system.

For the do-it-yourselfer, Lexan sheet is available at Beaver Lumber, Home Hardware and Federated Co-op stores, as well as Mat Expert and Unitotal stores in Quebec. If you are having a professional renovation, it can be ordered by your contractor.



The glazing that opens this pool to the outside is Lexan, a new thermoplastic shatter-resistant sheeting that is lighweight and energy efficient.

# *Enhance your apartment with window gardens*

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Carole Gilman has the answer for those who want a garden but don't have the space.

Owner of Seracon Products, Gilman offers several innovative packages to satisfy apartment dwellers with green thumbs.

To begin with, Gilman offers what she calls the Easy-Gro Indoor Window Garden. She said these kits supply a year-round garden that makes a great gift.

There are eight different types of gardens available. Each kit contains all of the materials required to successfully grow fresh herbs or flowers.

Gilman said the kits are manufactured in Canada. She said that a portion of all sales of this line is donated to the Canadian Wildlife Federation to support its environment conservation activities.

A second product, the Sow Easy Seedsticks aid both indoor and outdoor gardeners.

Gilman explained that the seeds are impregnated in biodegradable matchsticks that are sown individually. The depth at which the seeds are to be buried is clearly indicated on each stick.

Four different seed groupings are offered, each with four seed varieties. These include herbs, patio plants, indoor plants and children's gardens.

## Foolproof method of planting

Gilman also suggests the Easy Planter Roll-Out Biodegradable Flower Gardens. As the name implies, this is a foolproof method of planting flowers outside.

A biodegradable wadding is impregnated with seeds at an appropriate distance from each other.

Gardeners are simply required to loosen the soil and roll out the pre-seeded material. All that is left to do is to cover the wadding with soil and water. Gilman added that the rolls are available in dwarf, medium or large-sized flowers.

Four years ago, Gilman began Seracon Products by importing and manufacturing unique gift items mainly for executives.

Today, she has expanded her line to include these innovative gardening aids.

Not only are these products fun and user-friendly, but with the emphasis on the environment, they are also safe and clean.

Seracon Products are availavle in Toronto at Science City, Simpsons, Cullen Gardens and the General Store. In Montreal, the product can be found at Diversion, the Bay and Ma Maison.

Gilman said the planters are sold in giftware, stationary, and kitchenware stores in addition to garden centres across Canada.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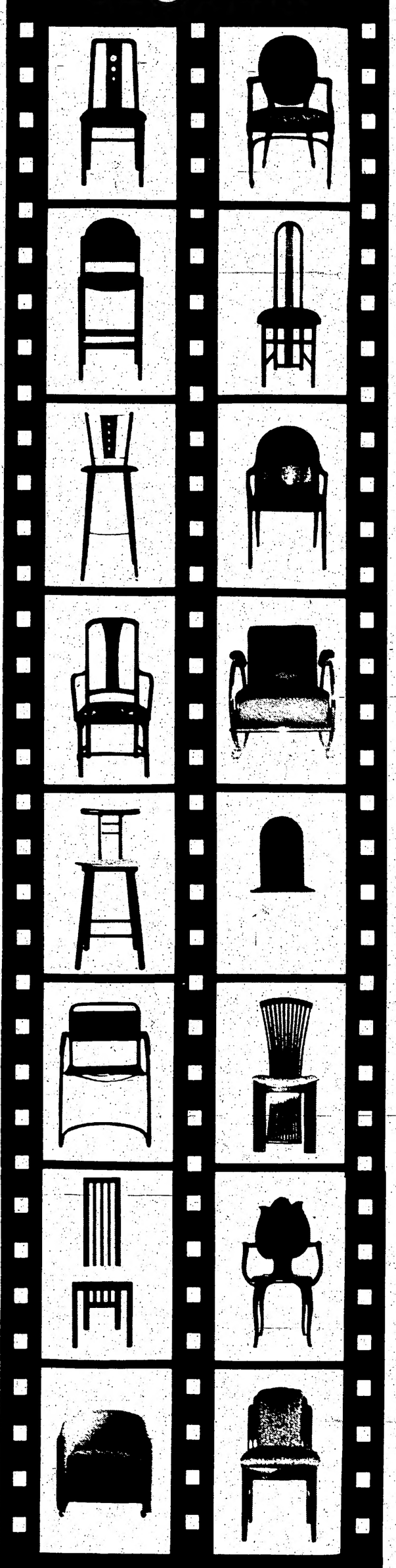

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By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

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However, Wayne Gauthier offers the solution to this problem. It's not another miracle cleaner or a wonder brush. Instead, Gauthier provides a barbecue cleaning service.

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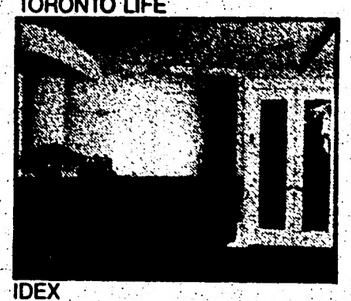
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Cooper cited cost as one important comparison. He said that while the installation cost of the in-ground system is high, the Meri system costs between $770 to $800.

In addition, the sprinkler head can be angled, which means the homeowner is actually conserving water. Cooper said that many run the risk of an uneven watering when they use the conventional hose and sprinkler.

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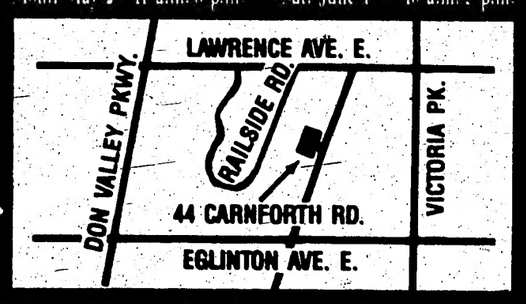


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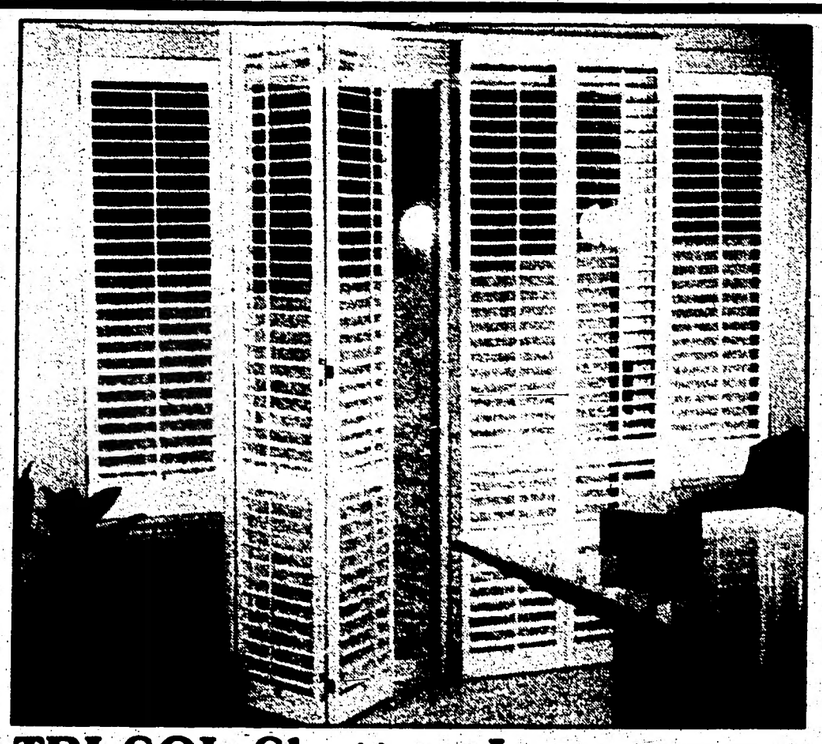

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# Kitchen sink rises from image of ugly duckling

That old dictum "form follows function" has influenced architecture and product design since early in this century.

Today, nowhere is it more clearly defined and well executed than in the design of kitchen sinkware.

From highly efficient fixtures to bowl configurations, the kitchen sink has been transformed from a place to wash the pots and pans into a self-contained food preparation area that complements the overall kitchen design. And with the addition of color, this functional area is fashionable, too.

The introduction of a number of new sinkware materials, coupled with the availability of a broad selection of custom-designed accessories, have opened up the design possibilities.

One of the advanced materials changing the look of today's kitchen is Asterite, a tough quartz and acrylic composite used by a number of major kitchen sinkware manufacturers. Asterite offers styling versatility and unique performance features not available with other sinkware materials, contends Peter Kline, product marketing managers for ICI Americas, the company that developed the composite.

"It's the 'mouldability' of Asterite that accounts for the wide variety of designs available in Asterite sinkware."

Asterite can be fashioned into any shape or size, including single, one-and-a-half, double and two-and-a-half bowl configurations. A wide array of handy, color-coordinated accessories, such as colanders, drainer boards, plate racks and cutting boards, expand the use of this small area.

But Asterite means more than form and function in a kitchen sink. It also means fashion.

"We can produce Asterite in any color in the spectrum. Although bright whites and warm neutrals are the most popular colors, Asterite sinkware is available in deep rich reds and bold blacks, too."

To enhance the color options, Asterite also is available in any number of finishes ranging from a contemporary high gloss to a softened eggshell to a matte finish, as well as the popular granite-like looks now popular in countertops.

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Practically speaking, Asterite is tough enough to withstand everyday knocks and spills and the heat of hot pots and pans without losing its surface beauty.

It is stain-resistant, chip-resistant and highly resistant to scorches. It resists even the most difficult household stains, including red wine. Solid color, through and through, keeps the surface finish looking new, even under the toughest conditions.

Asterite also withstands extreme temperature, up to 195C (375 F) Soapy water and a soft cloth is all that is needed for regular care. Abrasives or harsh cleaners are not needed or recommended.

Because Asterite is a naturally dense material, it reduces noise and clatter from dishes and utensils.

"This is a great advantage when the kitchen is an integral part of the family's living area," Kline said.

Three major manufacturers and marketers in the United States and Canada — Acriform International, Spring Ram America and Waltec Sinkware — now offer Asterite kitchen sinkware in a wide range of colors and bowl configurations, with accessories to match.


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# *Proper lighting helps make life a lot easier*

Have you thought of how much we use our kitchens and bathrooms?

In the kitchen we chop vegetables, wash dishes, search the cupboards for baking soda, saute onions, sip wine, eat hearty and chat with friends.

In the bathroom we weigh ourselves, shower, shave, gargle, brush our hair, do our makeup and relax in our whirlpool. That is why the lighting in these rooms must be versatile: bright enough so we can see to do our daily chores and subtle enough to accommodate more leisurely moments.

The lighting scheme of a kitchen or bathroom depends greatly on the ceiling heights, size, shape and color of the room. Color and texture play an important role in determining the amount of wattage and fixtures needed.

Experts say that a kitchen with dark wood cabinetry or a bathroom done in black marble will need much more extensive lighting than rooms done in white gloss or pastel shades.

In the kitchen, specifically, a combination of shadow-free general lighting and task lighting over countertops and work areas is needed. Under-cabinet fluorescent strip lights are ideal for lighting counter areas. Select a type, possibly a warm white, that is designed for good color rendering, bringing out the true color of food and creating a warm, cosy atmosphere.

Fluorescents come in many different sizes. For smaller areas, such as an applicable garage, the newest compact plug-in fluorescent lights with a swivel reflector are ideal. Task lighting can also be provided by suspended tubular fluorescent fixtures over the sink, the range or other work islands.

As a general light source, fluorescents are best suited to kitchens with high ceilings. A ceiling-mounted fluorescent luminaire equipped with a diffuser/cover will flood the room with more than sufficient light — and soften shadows as well.

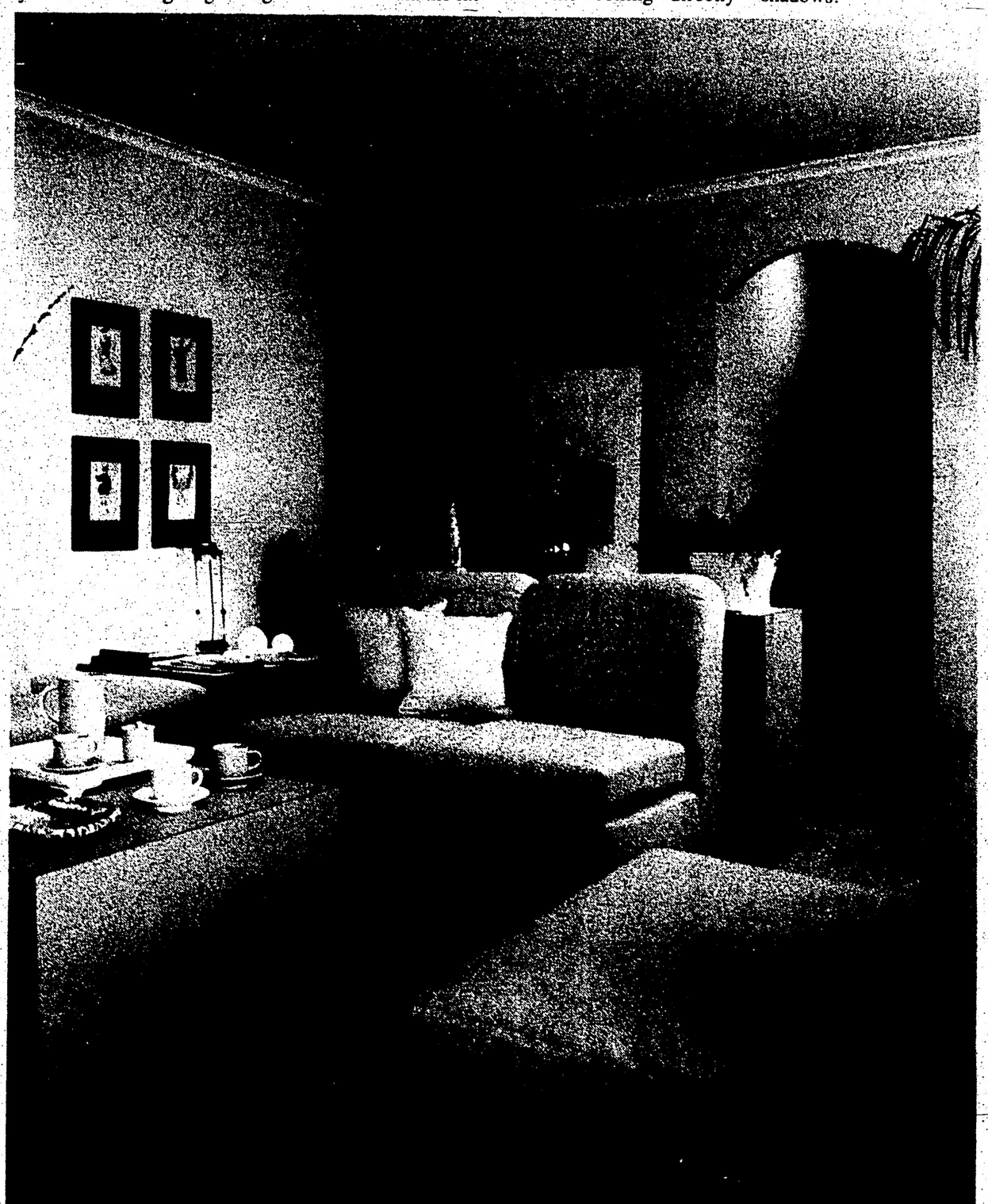
Incandescent and halogen reflector bulbs will fit recessed fixtures, downlights, spotlights or track lighting. Any combination of these fixtures and bulbs can be used as general lighting in a low-ceilinged kitchen or when angled directly over work areas, as task lighting.

Pendant lamps — particularly rise-and-fall pendants — raised high over a kitchen table, will light up an entire room. Lowered, the light will be focused on the table top, setting the mood for a quiet dinner for two or a family game.

Today's luxurious bathrooms need general and task lighting, and also accent lighting. For maximum versatility, each form of lighting should be controlled separately.

A dimmer switch controlling the general lighting is a must. This allows you to match the lighting to your mood: bright light for a quick shower, or just a hint of light for a long, relaxing soak in the tub.

A great deal of hustle and bustle in the bathroom is centred around the vanity counter. Task lighting in this grooming area should be shadowless and, above all, flattering. It's also a good idea to mount the fixtures on the wall — above or on both sides of the mirror. Downlights mounted on the ceiling directly above the counter spill the light over the top of your head and leave your face in shadows.



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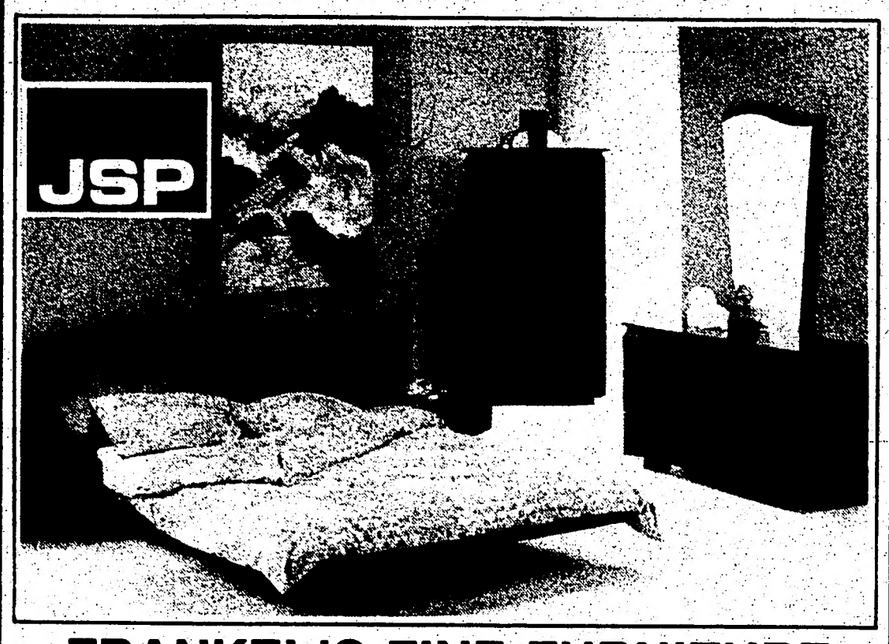


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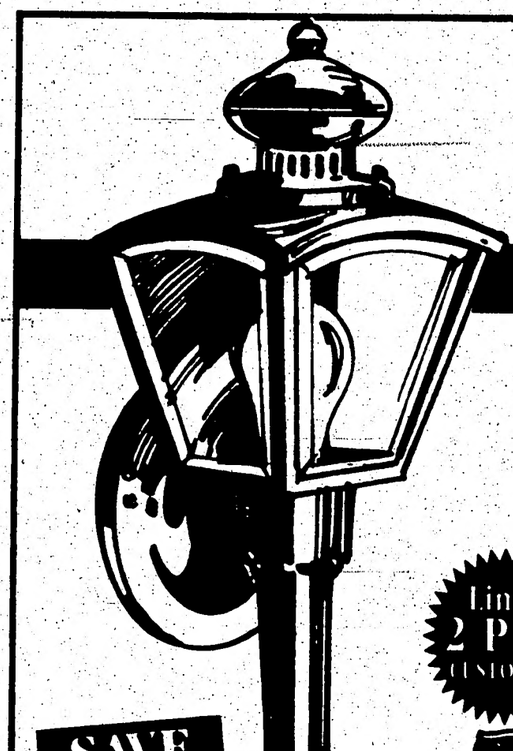

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# Kitchen provides a comfortable refuge from stress

As the 20th century slips through its last decade, design-conscious people want no part of the chilling "brave new world," nor of the stresses and excesses of the 1980s. Instead they long for personal havens, comfortable environments that link us with our past, and possessions of lasting value.

No place is this truer than in today's family kitchen, note designers from Rutt Custom Kitchens. In this room, the Eurostyle cooking laboratory of the '80s is giving way to livable spaces that encourage family and friends to linger. Hand-crafted cabinetry with fine-furniture appeal is de rigeur, as are highly personal touches, such as collections and art.

Rus Orban, vice-president of Rutt, isn't surprised: "After putting up with commuting and career pressures, it's quite understandable that people crave some peace and comfort. So they seek out more traditional forms of design . . . something to remind them of the homey places they grew up in . . . or wish they had grown up in."

"In the kitchen, this means wood cabinetry," continues Orban. "It's warm and natural. In a world full of synthetics, that's important."

Rutt finds that oak and cherry in light, natural stains are among the favorites for cabinets for friendly, informal kitchens, but there is also great current interest in natural pine, especially in a creamy finish that makes an asset of the knots that attest to this wood's humble origin.

"It is precisely this unpretentious beauty that makes pine such a natural for today's country styles," notes Orban. "It's also a very American look and that has great appeal today. In fact, Rutt has just brought back maple, too. This wood is as American as apple pie and it creates beautifully livable kitchens."

White-painted kitchens are currently very fashionable. They attract both traditionalists and post-modernists because they always look serene and mix well with other furnishings. Grey paint is also a current best-seller and has taken its place among the all-time classics.

The newest finishes create cabinets with heirloom appeal. A limited finish called Olde British and an antique white stain called Blanc are new from Rutt. Both require hand-finishing but reward the efforts with the patina of bygone centuries.

Orban feels that the country look will grow leaner and cleaner.

"People love 'country' because it's friendly," he comments. "But they're tired of clutter. We think country's future lies in a more international mood. It will become a lifestyle rather than a definite look."

In cabinets, this means old-world detailing that anchors them in the past and adds elegance without sacrificing sturdiness. They must be able to stand up.

The highly personal kitchen is important to the '90s homeowner, and Rutt, which custom-designs to individual requirements, says that today's most asked-for features are those that put collections out in the open.

Hutches to display anything from Majolica pieces to a collection of antique toys are popular. So are vertical plate racks, open base cabinets and wine racks.

"The idea is to keep well-loved items out in the open, but in a controlled fashion," says Orban. "The collections add terrific individuality, yet they don't overwhelm when they have their own display."

Frequently, custom kitchen companies such as Rutt also craft complementary woodwork, such as moldings, wainscoting and fireplace mantels. These are touches that put any kitchen apart from the usual line-up of stock cabinets.

The Great Room, a space born in the '80s, is guaranteed to be the heart of the home in the '90s, predicts Rutt.

**This open-concept kitchen offers a relaxed and spacious work environment (Photo supplied by Paris Kitchens).**

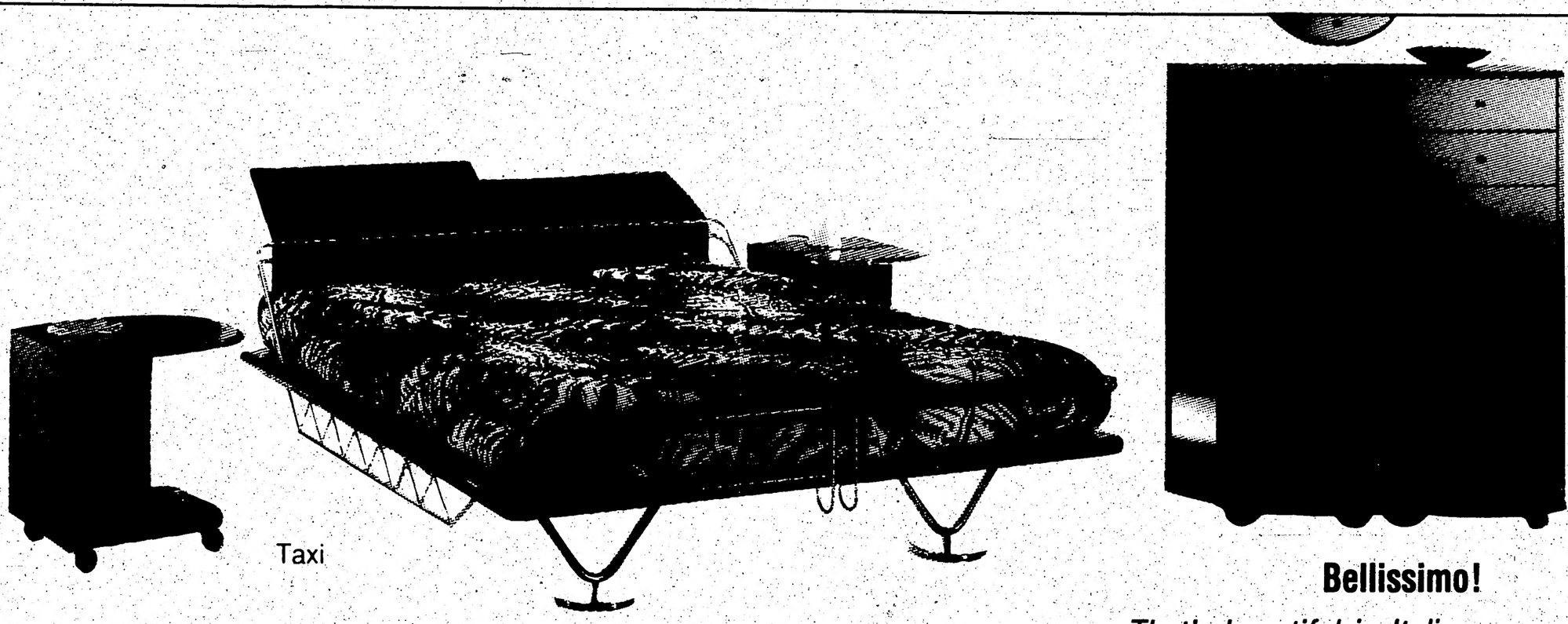
This room, which expands the kitchen to include space for dining, electronics gear, hobbies, homework and parties, is actually an old idea, which has come full circle. In our great-grandparents' time, it was known as the keeping room kitchen. Although convivial, it was a rather rustic affair and a far cry from the space that it will become in this decade.

Rutt predicts that as technology continues its progress, the Great Room will grow even more finished and attractive and finally achieves the status of a full living space.

"Its media room function will be the biggest challenge of all," remarks Orban. "For while we love the advance in electronics, we won't put up with all that machinery sitting about. We'll seek ways to integrate it attractively."

Finally, Rutt sees a need for new types of storage spaces throughout the home. The firm's designers note that our lives grow more complicated as the years go by, so organization will be the key to good living.

"No room is more organized than the kitchen," explains Orban. "So it makes sense to extend the use of its cabinets to the rest of the house. It's happening already. We now craft cabinets and complementary furnishings for dens, dressing rooms, baths and dining rooms — we'll see much more of that in the future."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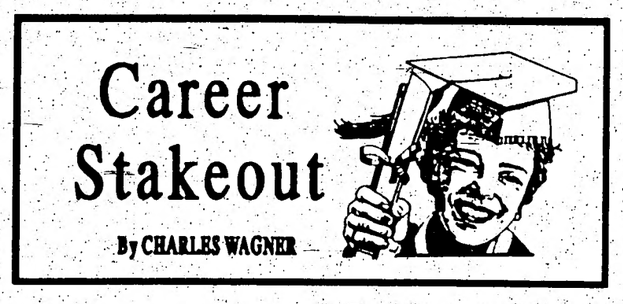
# *Wordperfect may lend a competitive edge: expert*




Do you feel obsolete? Are you one of the thousands of educated and skilled workers with a great deal of experience who find themselves laid off because within their industry, they or their employers are no longer competitive? Don't feel bad, you have plenty of company.

Despite valuable experience, many office workers realize that the only way to get back into the office workforce is to learn the computer skills that are in demand by business today. For someone wanting to work in an office the minimal upgrading that is needed is learning how to use a word processor.

The word processing package that most businesses seem to demand is WordPerfect. A cursory glance at the want ads of the three local dailies will show close to 90 per cent of word processing jobs require WordPerfect.

The reason why business has, as a rule, made it necessary for office staff to know word processing is because the word processor has revolutionized the office as much as the introduction of the typewriter did. It has made the office more efficient, professional and cost effective. WordPerfect can do such things as:

• WORDWRAP — The word processor acts as an automatic carriage return. This enables the typist to keep typing without worrying whether or not he/she has reached the end of the line. As a consequence speed and efficiency are enhanced.

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• SEARCH / REPLACE / MOVE / COPY — In order to increase efficiency many offices use standard documents which they adjust to different situations. For exaple, a lawyer may have a standard offer to purchase document for house sales. With each new client he will change the names and addresses and other relevant information. An advancement of the word processor is the "cut and paste" feature whereby the program allows you to insert and/or move certain information from one part of the document to another. You can also copy part of a text and duplicate it in another part of the text. The utility of this feature makes the new amended document look cleaner and professionally produced.

• MERGE FEATURES — Businesses often use form letters or documents. This saves them time and money. This feature allows a business to use the same form letter or document and personalize it by merging one document with the letter and another document with all the names, addresses and changes in the body of the document. This feature is useful when sending the same document to a large number of people or corporations.

• GRAPHIC FEATURES — This feature allows the wordprocessor to be used as a Desk Top tool. One can produce graphics, produce flyers, newsletters, diagrams, or logos. What used to be the domain of graphic artists and typesetters alone can now be accessed with the wordprocessor.

There are many colleges that offer basic, intermediate and advanced courses in WordPerfect. Speak to someone who already took it. Visit the location. Be choosy. Courses are offered in many places and costs are competitive. You may qualify for one of the government's programs that can help you with the cost of your tuition.

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# Housing bill axed

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel's Cabinet has acted to kill a liberal housing loan bill that the Knesset passed, which the government says it cannot afford.

A communique issued after the weekly session said the cabinet had decided to "freeze" the measure, "effective immediately until the annulment of the law or the end of the fiscal year, whichever comes first."

The communique said the cabinet acted "after realizing that implementation of the law entailed amounts that exceed what was allotted to the matter in the annual budget law."

The new measure authorizes government-subsidized mortgages of up to $67,000 at four per cent interest, with only 80 per cent linked to the consumer price index.

The Treasury said the measure would cost the government some $2 billion that is not in the budget.

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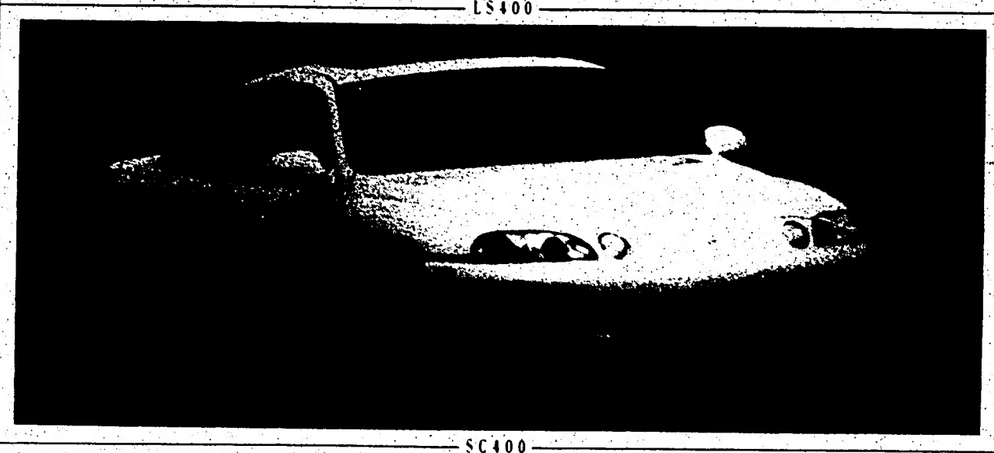
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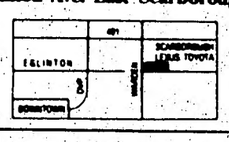

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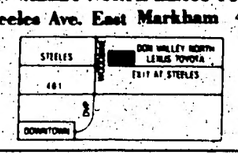


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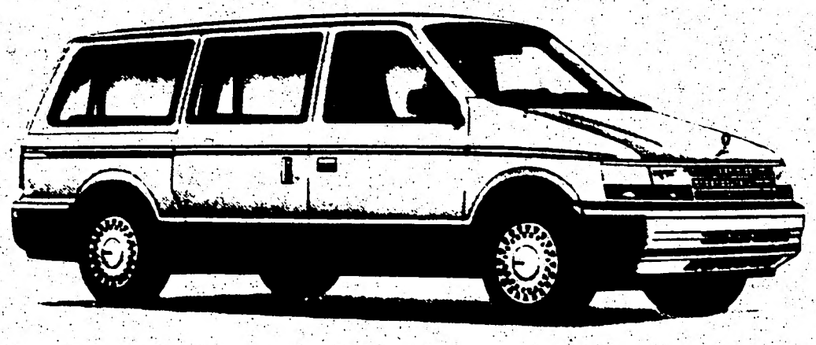
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Unbelievable 4 bdrm backsplit, b/i's, fin. bsmt, thousands in extras. Al Sidofsky 764-7200.

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3+ 1 bdrm. sidesplit, fam. rm., w/o to garden, Sharon Balaban, 731-7111.

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3 bdrm. + bsmnt. apt., hdwd. flrs., central air. Lucy Melamud, 731-7111.

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Wrap around terrace, cornice mold. Rag paint. 9-ft. ceilings, 2-car parking, 6 top-of-line appl. *R. Splitter, 886-1200.

**5 + 1 BDRM. $499,800 PRESTIGIOUS N. YORK**
Fin. bsmt., fab. location, marble frpl. Formal with wall-to-wall comfort. *R. Splitter, 886-1200.

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4 bath, fin. bsmt., huge lot, loaded with extras, mn.-flr. fam.; value + a touch of class. $339,800. *R. Splitter, 886-1200.

**STUNNING DECOR! 2,700 SQ. FT.**
$399,000, 4 + 1 bdrm., mn.-flr. fam. & laundry. Fin. bsmt. w/bar. Exciting value. *Lana Byk, 886-1200.

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$295,000, 3 bdrms., 3 baths, 5-pce. ens., fam. rm., firepl., cent. air, many extras. *G. Mourad, 886-1200.

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Finished rentable bsmt. with priv. entrance. Good pie lot, priced $223,000+ value packed. **Rosilyn Splitter, 886-1200.

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**POWER OF SALE**

**SCHOMBERG — $229,000**
3 bdrm bungalow, fin. bsmt, panoramic setting. Minutes to Toronto.

***QUEEN - LANSDOWNE $229,000**
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***JANE - LAWRENCE - $229,000**
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***LAKESIDE RD. E. — $199,000**
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**LOWER VILLAGE**
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**FRYBROOK/B.S.S.**
Superb location, remarkable lot (50x194) - a home with all ingredients present. Totally renovated, family rm on main, library on landing, 6 bdrms, marble baths, huge principal rooms, a great buy at $1,375,000. Barry Tsur.

**DUNVEGAN ROAD**
$1,190,000. Situated on 50 x 158 ft. lot, this 3 storey home has 5 bdrms, ensuite, white kitchen and walkout at lower level to pool at rear of garden. Ramon Tsur.

**LOWER VILLAGE - 1ST AD**
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**BATHURST-STEELES $425,000**
2 storey 4 bdrm., bath en-suite. Large kit., fam. rm., firepl. W/o to balcony, fin. bsmnt. with W/o. Dbl. gar. Open to offers. Don't miss.

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## 2 Houses For Sale Private

**Bathurst/Steeles** - 4 plus 1 bedroom. Main floor family room. Finished basement. Central air. Central vac. Ceramic and hardwood throughout. Large white kitchen. Priced to sell at $329,900. 731-9822. 4962

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• **7601 BATHURST.** 2 bd. $202,900. Lucy Melamud, 731-7111.
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**Bathurst/Centre** - 2 bedroom. Corner unit. 1,350s.f. Storage. Double parking. Asking $214,900. Call 881-0976. 5022

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**Yonge/Steeles** - 3 bedroom condo for rent, 1½ baths. Recreational facilities. Across from mall. Available immediately. 398-5194. 5005

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## 8 Condominiums For Rent/Sale

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**David Peters** on May 7/91, late of 38 Croydon Rd.
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**Stan Zysser** on May 9/91, late of 153 Yorkdowns Dr. 5029

**BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL**

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**Asa, Mrs. Sol Ester**- In Toronto, on May 13th, 1991. Predeceased by her husband Isak. Loving mother of Doctor Morris Asa, leaves three grandchildren, Doctor Sylvia Asa-Kopolovic, Gerald Asa and Susan Asa-Katz and six great-grandchildren. Mrs. Asa graduated as a teacher from the Ecole Normale in Paris and taught school in Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Iran and last in Turkey where, with her husband, they directed the Alliance Israelite Schools in Izmir. Loved and respected by generations of students. Awarded the Palmes Academiques by the Government of France for her services to French Culture. Retired in Windsor in 1965. Interment at Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery, Windsor. Shiva was at 343 Clark Avenue West in Thornhill, Ontario. 5148

**Belkin, Max** on May 9, 1991, late of 605 Finch Ave. W. #1917.
**Erlich, Rachel** May 8, 1991, late of 242 Pannahill Rd., #2.
**Garshon, Jean** on May 7, 1991, late of 4415 Bathurst St., #607.
**Gelepsy, Annie** on May 13, 1991, late of 3575 Bathurst St., #706.
**Himel, Bella** on May 10, 1991, late of 1452 Dundas St. W.
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**Radomski, Mordechi** on May 7, 1991.
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**Zelkowitz, Mary** on May 8, 1991. 5134

**Steeles-College Memorial Chapel**

## 56 Unveilings

**The unveiling** of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Cemach Rotsztain** will take place on Sunday May 26, 1991, 10:30am, at Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park, Zaglembie Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 4898

**The unveiling** of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Ellis Miller** will take place on Sunday, May 26, 1991, 2:00pm, at Pardes Shalom Cemetery, I.O.F. Court Ahavas Achem Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 4971

**The unveiling** of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Esther Posner** will take place on Sunday, May 26, 1991, 11:00am at Dawes Road Cemetery, Driltzer Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 5001

**The unveiling** of a monument to the memory of the late **Morris Kasman** will take place on Sunday, May 26, 1991, 11:00am, at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Farband Labour Zionist Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 4863

**Greenspan, Fraidl.** The unveiling will take place on Sunday, May 26th, 12:30pm, at Dawes Road Cemetery, Markham Street Shul Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 5132

**The unveiling** of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Jack Krupski** will take place on Sunday, May 26, 1991, 10:30am, at Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park, Shaarei Shomayim Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 4989

**The unveiling** of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Miriam Lichtenstein** will take place on Sunday, May 26, 1991, 12:00, at Lambton Memorial Park, Royal York Road and Eglinton. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 5096

**The unveiling** of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Sanford Brooks** will take place on Sunday, May 26, 1991, 10:15am, at Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park, Beth Emeth Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 5010

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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**MIKE MIETKIEWICZ** ז"ל
will take place
**Sunday, June 2nd, 10:30 a.m.**
**Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park**
Chenstechover Society Section
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**ROZA MILLER** ל"נ
*beloved sister of Sarah Fryszberg, sister-in-law, aunt & great-aunt*
will take place
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**MINA ARMEL** ל"נ
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Narayever Section
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**SADIE (SYD) L. ENGLISH** ל"נ
will take place
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Beth Tzedec Section
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**LOUIS KIRSH** ל"נ
*beloved husband, father, grandfather & brother*
will take place
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**Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park**
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**LOUIS LEVINE** ל"נ
will take place
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**Mount Sinai Memorial Park**
Beth Sholom Section
*Relatives & friends are invited to attend.*

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**LENA HERBERT** ל"נ
*Beloved mother, grandmother & great-grandmother*
will take place
**Sunday, May 26, 10 a.m.**
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*Relatives & friends are invited to attend.*

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late
**MILDRED MYERS** ל"נ
will take place
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**Dawes Road Cemetery**
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*Relatives & friends are invited to attend.*

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**FRANCES RUBIN** ל"נ
will take place
**Sunday, May 26, 11:00 a.m.**
**Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park**
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**LOUIS SHERKIN** ל"נ
*husband of the late Rose Sherkin*
will take place
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**Mount Sinai Memorial Park**
Beth Sholom Section
*Relatives & friends are invited to attend.*

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
**SAMUEL SHULMAN** ל"נ
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**Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park**
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
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# *Leukemia strategy aids patients*

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO – A Roman Catholic high school teacher publicly thanked a Jewish doctor at a press conference recently for saving his life.

Ivan Kulbisky, 49, of Brampton, a leukemia patient, thanked Dr. Michael A. Baker, head of Haematology and Oncology at the Toronto Hospital.

At a symposium for the media at the hospital, Baker reported on a new strategy of drug treatment for adult leukemia patients which has been used on 99 patients in Toronto, London, Edmonton, Ottawa and Kingston.

A total of 33 per cent of those patients are still alive two and one-half years after treatment started, compared to five per cent with old treatments.

Kulbisky, who taught at a high school in Weston, North York, was one of those patients. Though he is not well enough to go back to teaching yet, he is playing hockey in an Old Timers league and slow pitch softball. "I tried teaching but after a half-hour I started to slur my words and I was tired. Right now I'm Mr. Mom at home. We have two boys, 10 and 13."

## Increases doses of Ara-C

He expressed his gratitude to Baker and the hospital's medical and nursing staff, recalling that at one point he felt so down that he pulled out the tubing in his chest carrying the drugs to his bloodstream.

The new strategy, Baker explained, is to increase the initial dosage of Ara-C and mitoxantrome, and then, if this clears signs of the disease, to give two more courses of high-dose treatment over six months. Previously only maintenance doses of the drugs were given after the initial course.

Not all patients were able to withstand the higher doses, 20 per cent dying in the first six months of treatment.

"It was a tough go," Kulbisky told reporters.

"Two technicians detected the disease when I was giving blood routinely at a Red Cross clinic and the early detection helped. Somebody up there is watching over me because I was not going to go to that clinic but a water main burst in front of our school and I had the day off so I had no excuse."

Kulbisky said he has been left with a ringing in his ears caused by the drugs and his eyesight was affected so he needs reading glasses.

Baker said leukemia strikes about six of every 100,000 persons in Canada with 2,000 new cases diagnosed a year. Half of the patients are over age 60.

## *Correction*

In the article about Prof. Zehev Tadmor, (Jobs Seen Key to Aiding Olim; CJN May 9, 1991) new president of the Technion, the full name of the institution was given incorrectly.

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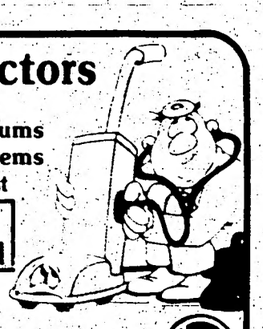

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